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INTRODUCTION.

THE Lyttelton charters now preserved at Hagley Hall have received at various times much more attention than many similar collections of family muniments can boast of. They bear every appearance of having been, of late years, at any rate, well cared for; and it is chiefly to the interest that Charles Lyttelton, Bishop of Carlisle from 1762 to 1768, brother of the first Lord Lyttelton, took in the evidences of his family that such a satisfactory state of things may be attributed. As President of the Society of Antiquaries[1] he would, as a matter of course, set great store on ancient records, of whatever character; and that he was well acquainted with and valued those of his own family is evidenced by his autograph endorsements upon them. He seems, however, to have made but little effort to put them in any systematic order, although signs are not wanting that he made some attempt to arrange them locally. He doubtless soon found out, what others have done, that a local classification of deeds, such as those under notice, must, sooner or later, fail. Such a plan would be practicable if each deed concerned one place alone; but when, as is so often the case, three or four, or even more places form the subject of one grant, the plan at once breaks down.

When, therefore, on my first visit to Hagley in the spring of 1892, this was pointed out to Lord Cobham, he readily adopted the suggestion to make a complete chronological

[1] On the Bishop's death, in 1768, the Society of Antiquaries came into possession of a part of the Habington MSS., relating to Worcestershire, so often quoted by Nash and others. The collection was formed by Thomas Habington, of Hinlip, who died in 1647.

series of his muniments. The present book is the outcome of that suggestion.

There are 461 deeds described in this catalogue, ranging from the time of Henry II to that of Charles II; but there is at Hagley a chest containing about 500 less important deeds, from 1485 to 1783, also arranged chronologically, the brief calendar of which remains, in manuscript, with Lord Cobham.

In the Appendix, on pp. 114-121, transcripts of ten of the more interesting deeds have been given. These are followed by an exhaustive index, in which every name and place appears, and care has been taken to record vicars, bailiffs, abbots, and similar officials.

As the majority of the deeds refer to a few places only, and as everyone may not have an easy opportunity of consulting the pages of Nash, the historian of Worcestershire, I may be pardoned for introducing here a short account of one or two of those places, namely, Frankley, Halesowen, Warley-Wigorn, Over Arley, and Hagley. It should be noted that Nash had free access to the Lyttelton charters, and has printed many of them *in extenso.* The subjoined notes are principally derived from his *Collections for the History of Worcestershire.*

1. Frankley, the home of the Lytteltons from *circ.* 1250 to 1642, once formed part of the larger parish of Halesowen, and was subject to the Barony of Dudley. In the time of William the Conqueror, William FitzAnsculph held that Barony, and in Domesday Book the entry concerning Frankley runs as follows: "Isdem Willelmus tenet Franchelie et Baldwinus de eo." It is not easy to trace by successive steps the descent of the Barony of Dudley, as authorities differ considerably upon the exact succession, but perhaps that subjoined below is fairly reliable[1]:

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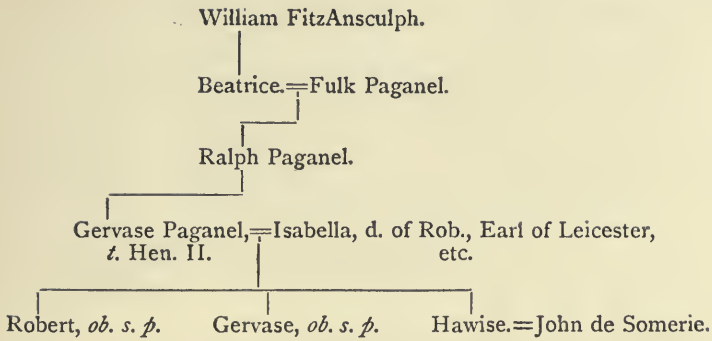
[1] Cf. H. S. Grazebrook's article on the Barony of Dudley in the *Herald and Genealogist*, v, 97; and Blore's *History and Antiquities of the County of Rutland*, p. 90.



The Barony remained with the Somerie family till 1322, when another John de Somerie dying without offspring, and his property being divided between his two sisters, Margaret, wife of John de Sutton, and Joan, wife of Thomas de Botetourt, Knt., Frankley Manor fell to the latter's share, her husband thus becoming *jure uxoris* Lord of Frankley. The manor remained with the Botetourts till the time of Henry VI.

But, for our present purpose, we have less to do with the Barons of Dudley, even in their character as lords paramount of Frankley, than with the actual tenants of that manor. BALDWIN, as we have seen, was tenant under William FitzAnsculph, and after a gap of nearly a hundred years, namely, in *temp.* Hen. II, the name of another tenant is recorded, BERNARD[1] de Frankeleye. He was almost immediately followed by PHILIP[2] de Frankeley, the son of Philip de Wygornia, from whom the following table, showing the descent of the manor, and leading up to the earliest Lutteltons, who, it is thought, took their name from South Luttelton, may, with some degree of accuracy, be constructed. Those whose names are printed in capitals held the manor.

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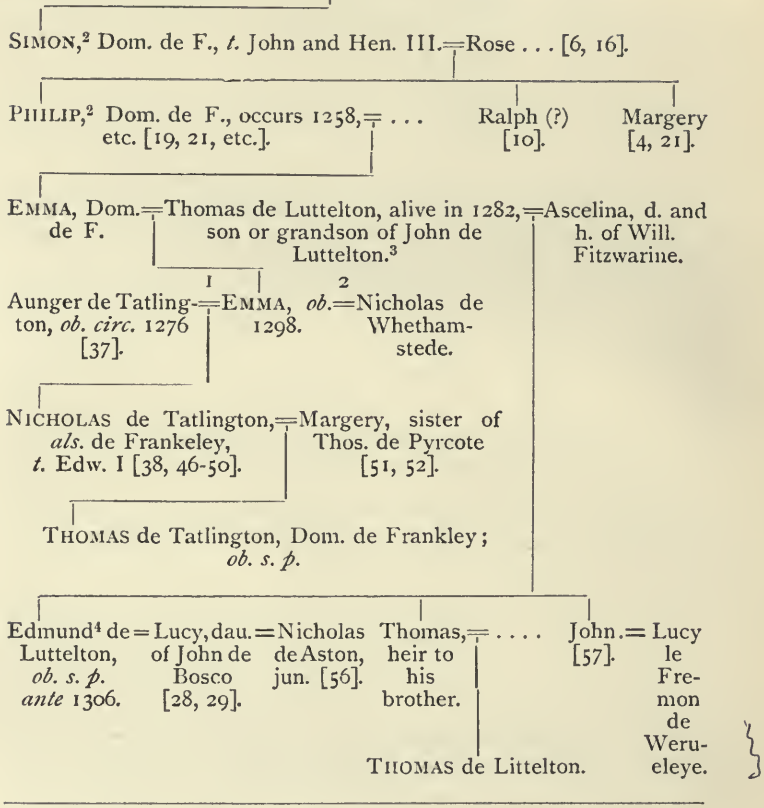
[1] *Liber Niger Scacc.*, ed. Hearne, 1774, p. 139.
[2] Nash's *Collections, etc., for Worcestershire.*



[1] The numbers in square brackets refer to the number of the deeds in the present book corroborating the several points.

[2] Simon is everywhere stated to have had but one child, a daughter Emma, who succeeded him, and was wife to Thomas de Luttelton; but, after reading Nos. 4 and 21 of the present collection, I can come to no other conclusion than this, that not only did he have a daughter Margery, but at least one son, Philip, Lord of Frankley, and possibly another son Ralph (cf. No. 10), though, from his position among the witnesses, the Simon there mentioned may not be identical with Simon, Lord of Frankley.

[3] Witness to grant to Evesham Abbey in 1160. Cf. Collins's *Peerage*, viii, 316.)

[4] Nash, in his *Lyttelton Pedigree*, vol. i, p. 493, is evidently in

I must confess to an inability to explain Deed No. 50. There is mentioned in it a Christina, Domina de Frankeley. Thinking I had misread Christina in its shortened form for Emma, I have again had an opportunity of examining the deed. It runs: "Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Nicholas de Frankeley, filius et heres Angeri de Tatlynton concessi . . . Nicholao de Wythemale militi . . . totum redditum meum in villa de Frankeley . . . scilicet illum redditum qui michi contingit post mortem Christine quondam domine de Frankeley que quidem Christina habuit et tenuit predictum redditum in eadem villa nomine dotis sue," etc. The deed is dated 1302. Two things suggest themselves, either that she was the widow of Philip de Frankley, father of the first Emma [refer to table], and had a life interest in the manor on her husband's death, or that the deed is a contemporary copy of an original deed, and that the scribe mistook Emma for the shortened form of Christina. The absence of any seal, or signs of a seal, are rather in favour of this hypothesis; but I am inclined to think we have in Christina the name of Philip's wife, up to the present unknown.

In 1299, Nicholas de Tatlington, *al.* de Frankeley, sold the manor to Nicholas de Wythmale [cf. Nos. 46-50], and Thomas de Tatlington, the former's son, released, in 1319, all his right in the same to Adam de Herwynton, clerk [cf. Nos. 80, 81]. After many transfers of tenancy, most of which can be traced by reference to these pages, Thomas de Littelton, Esquire of the Body to Henry IV, Henry V, and Henry VI, recovered the manor in 1407 by writ of right, on failure of issue to his cousin Thomas de Tatlington, and in spite of the several mesne conveyances which had from time to time been made.

Thomas de Luttelton's wife Maud surviving him, and

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error in making Lucy de Bosco the wife of Thomas, instead of Edmund (cf. Nos. 28, 29); and also in making John the third son a bachelor (cf. No. 57).

marrying again, passed away her right in Frankley Manor to John Massey, her second husband [cf. No. 314], who, in his turn, seems to have conveyed it to Roger Tyrchare, Rector of Old Swinford [cf. No. 414]; for that deed, dated 1480, records the quit-claim of the manor from the last-named to Sir Thomas Lyttelton, Knt., the celebrated Judge, grandson of his namesake above referred to. From that time to the present, says Nash, with the exception of about a year and a half when the Crown took possession of it, on the attainder of John Lyttelton in 1601 for complicity in Lord Essex's plot, the manor has remained in the hands of the successive representatives of the Lyttelton family.

One further fact remains to be mentioned, namely, that in 1642 Frankley Hall or Manor-house was garrisoned for the King by Prince Rupert, but when he could no longer hold it, he burnt it to the ground, to prevent the enemy making the like use of it. It was never rebuilt, but since that time the family has resided at Over Arley or at Hagley. A reference to the burning of some of the Lyttelton evidences at this destruction of Frankley Hall may be seen in No. 458.

2. The parish of Halesowen is now reckoned as part of Worcestershire, as its geographical position warrants, and as it was considered before the Norman Conquest. But from that period till the beginning of the present century it was held to be part of Shropshire. The reason was that it formed part of the vast possessions with which William the Conqueror endowed his kinsman, Comes Rogerus, that is, Roger Montgomery, afterwards Earl of Shrewsbury. He was son of Hugh, Count of Montgomery, in Normandy, and for his services to William, on his invasion of England, he received the whole of Shropshire, besides numerous lands in Sussex. Amongst other properties, the parish of Hales, or Hala, as it was then called, (except Warley, Cradley, Frankley, and Ludley, also parts of that parish, which went to the Lord of Dudley),

fell to his share, and it was then that the parish was made part of Shropshire. Respecting the addition of the name of Owen to the place, no satisfactory explanation has been given. Nash has suggested, but with hesitation, that when an abbey was founded in 1240 at Hayles, in Gloucestershire, it became necessary, in order to avoid confusion, to distinguish the older foundation by a cognomen, as both abbeys were in the same diocese of Worcester, and that Owen was fixed upon as being probably the first abbot of our Hales. There is, however, no evidence to prove this; and later, in the Appendix to vol. ii, p. xxiii, Nash does not venture to include Owen in the list of Abbots, even with the saving addition of a (?). In the other known lists, viz., Dugdale's *Monasticon*, vi, 927, and in Cole's MSS., vol. xl (Brit. Mus., Add. MS. 5841, f. 34), in a letter from Bishop Lyttelton to Mr. Cole, no mention of an Abbot Owen is made. Mr. Noake, in his *Guide to Worcestershire*, 1868, p. 182, is careful not to repeat Nash's suggestion. In casting about for an explanation of this addition, I venture, with much diffidence, to call attention to the fact that the name of the first tenant of Hales, under Roger Montgomery, was Olwin; and that he was no mean person is proved by his being tenant of several important lands in this neighbourhood, when Domesday Book was drawn up. May not Owen then be a corruption, or a softening, of Olwin? This argument, if such it may be called, is much weakened by the fact that the earliest mention of the place as Halesowen is not till more than a hundred years after Olwin's time.

The descent of the manor is as follows:—

Roger de Montgomery, *ob.* 1094.
|
Hugh, his second son; *ob.* 1098.
|
Robert de Belesme, eldest son of the above Roger.
|
The Crown (1102).
| *a*

| *a*
Peter de Rupibus, Bp. of Winchester, *ob.* 1238.
|
Hales Abbey, till the Dissolution.
|
Lord John Dudley, Duke of Northumberland; beh. by
| Qu. Mary.
The Crown.
|
Lady Joan, wid. of above, recovered it in 1553.
|
Ambrose Dudley, his son.
|
Lord Robert Dudley, his brother [440, 441].
|
Thomas Blount and G. Tucky [440, 441].
|
John Lyttelton, in 1558.

It is with reference to the sale of this manor by Sir R. Dudley in 1558 that we have three of the most interesting deeds in the collection. For, at the foot of Nos. 440, 441, may be seen the signatures of Lord R. Dudley and of "Amy Duddley". It is scarcely necessary to remark that this is the unfortunate Amy, daughter of Sir Hugh Robsart, whose sufferings and tragic death at Cumnor, the house of Anthony Forster, Sir W. Scott has so powerfully portrayed in his romance of *Kenilworth.* These are, as far as can be ascertained, the only known deeds bearing her signature. The third of the set, No. 441B, bears the signature of Anthony Forster himself, and records the release of all the right which he possessed in Halesowen manor. They are dated 1558, two years before the death of the Lady Amy.

The deeds within these pages furnish much interesting matter concerning Halesowen, and readers are referred to the Index for the lists of Bailiffs, Vicars, etc. As regards the Abbey, attention may be drawn to Nos. 3, 39, 41., etc. Only seven Abbots' names occur, but amongst them one Nicholas, late Hen. III, is not included in Dugdale's nor in Nash's lists, though the latter quotes *in extenso* a document "ex registro albo penes Dec. et Cap. Lichfield", dated 1277, in which Nicholas is referred to as Abbot.

3. The manor of Warley-Wigorn is situated in the Worcestershire part of Hales parish, and was anciently called Werwelie. It was not included in William the Conqueror's grant to Earl Roger, but, like Frankley, formed part of the Barony of Dudley, of which William Fitz-Ansculf was the first representative after the Conquest. His successors, the Paganels, the Someries, and the Botetourts, became in turn the lords paramount of this manor, and under them the family of Fokerham held it. The deeds numbered 103-106 record the grant, in 1337, of the manor to Halesowen Abbey, the re-grant of the same by the latter to Richard Fokerham for his life, and the release by John de Sutton, Lord of Dudley, of his right therein. The Abbey held it till the Dissolution, when it passed with Halesowen to Sir John Dudley, and from him to Lord Robert Dudley. By the latter it was conveyed, in 1558, to T. Blount and G. Tuckey, who in the same year sold it to John Lyttelton, in whose family it has remained.

4. An account of Over Arley has been added by Nash in the Appendix to his History, though it is geographically in the county of Stafford, but he has inserted it together with similar notices of Clent and Halesowen Abbey, "as the accounts were drawn up by Bishop Lyttelton". It is there stated that Arley Manor came to the Lytteltons in 5 Edw. IV (1465), which statement is borne out by reference to these deeds, Nos. 379-382. From that time till 1779 it remained in the Lyttelton family, when Thomas, Lord Lyttelton, left it by will to his nephew George, son of his sister Lucy, wife to Viscount Valentia. From 1660-1693 it was the chief seat of the Lytteltons. The previous history of the manor is fully illustrated in these pages, and the appended table shows its descent till it came to the hands of Sir Thomas de Lyttelton. The deeds, Nos. 351-355, which record the connection of Richard, Duke of York, with the manor, are signed "R. York", and bear impressions of his seal.

The Crown, *t.* Hen. II—Hen. III.

HUBERT de Burgh, Earl of Kent; *ob.* 1243 [12].

JOHN, his son and heir.

ROBERT BURNELL, Bp. of Bath and Wells [34].

EDWARD I [34].

LETARD de Henyn [34].

ROGER de Mortimer, Earl of Oxford; *ob.* 1282 [35].

EDMUND, his son and heir.

ISOLDA de Mortimer, his daughter.

ROGER, Earl of March, her nephew; *ob.* 1330.

EDMUND, Lord Mortimer, his son; *ob.* 1331. = ELIZABETH. = William, Earl of Northampton.

ROGER, 2nd Earl of March, his son; *ob.* 1361. = PHILIPPA, d. of Will., Earl of Montagu.

EDMUND, 3rd E. of March; *ob.* 1381. = Philippa, d. of Lionel, Duke of Clarence, 3rd son of Edw. III.

ROGER, 4th E. of March; *ob.* 1398. = Eleanor, d. of Thomas, Earl of Kent.

EDMUND, 5th E. of March; *ob.* 1425 [300]. Anne. = Richard, Earl of Cambridge.

RICHARD, Duke of York; *ob.* 1460 [300].

WILLIAM Boerley; *ob.* 1459 [351-354].

JOAN Boerley. = Sir THOMAS de Littelton.

5. The remarks which have gone before concerning the descent of the Manors of Frankley and Warley will also apply, as far as the lords paramount are concerned, to the Manor of Hagley, which has now to be considered. A few notes, however, on the succession of the tenancy of the

manor may be acceptable. The following table is drawn up practically from Nash's account of Hagley, corroborated, where possible, by references to the present deeds.

Roger, *t.* Will. I.
|
William de Hagley, and his immediate descendants, *t.* Hen. II—Edw. III.
|
John Peoleshale, 24 Edw. III.
|
Edmund de Hagley, 24 Edw. III [147].
|
Philip, s. of Rog. atte Grove de Hagley, 1370 [186].
|
Henry, heir to Edmund de Hagley, High Sheriff of Worcester, 1395-1403 [251].
|
Thomas Walwyn, by purchase, 1411.
|
Jane Beauchamp, Dom. de Bergavenny ; *ob.* 1445 [343].
|
Sir Jas. Boteler, her grandson (E. of Wiltshire, 1449) [343].
|
Crown, on attainder of above, 1461.
|
Fulk Stafford, *ob. s. p.*, 2 Edw. IV.
|
Crown.
|
Thomas Prout, 5 Edw. IV.
|
Edward IV grants to Qu. Eliz. Woodville, A° 13.
|
Westminster Abbey, 18 Edw. IV.
|
Thos. Butler (7th Earl of Ormonde), *ob.* 1515, younger bro. of above-named E. of Wiltshire.
|
Anne.=James St. Leger.
|
Sir John St. Leger, grandson ; sold it in 1564 to Sir John Lyttelton.

A deed, of which the principal interest lies in the signatures upon it, is No. 457, a commission to Sir C. Lyttelton to be Sub-Commissioner of Prizes within the Port of London. The commission, which is dated 15th March, 1671[2], was issued by the ministers known as the Cabal

Ministry, and it is signed and sealed by each of the five members.

There is the usual collection of surnames derived from places, trades, etc. Of the former, the following are specimens (I omit the ordinary place-names formed by the prefix "de"):—Atte Pole, atte Schete, atte Nasshe, atte Yate, del Grene, or o' the Grene, bi-the-herthe, in-the-putte, and the like. Of the latter, Heuster [*i.e.*, Dyer], Breuster, Iremonger, Whelwhrete, and Deyster (the English equivalent for Tinctor, now Dyer), are fair examples. Other names worth noting are Godman, Godknave, Churchyard, Blacberd, Kachemare, etc. Of Christian names, the most curious, perhaps, are Emmota, Laurentia, Tibota, and Wauthleana.

In conclusion, I cannot refrain from cordially acknowledging the hospitality of Lord and Lady Cobham on my visits to Hagley, and the readiness with which the former agreed to my suggestion to have these muniments examined, arranged, and described. The thanks of all local and other antiquaries are due to his Lordship for his permission to have the catalogue printed. If, as is rumoured, it should be seriously contemplated to take in hand a new History of the County of Worcestershire, it is to collections like these that the compilers of such a work will first have recourse, to form the basis of their history; and it is those owners who, possessing such invaluable records, have had the inclination and courage so to order them that they may be consulted without undue trouble or waste of time, who will earn and receive the historians' gratitude. The latter will, I am sure, knowing, as the present writer also does, of the many similarly valuable collections in the county, join him in uttering a fervent "O si sic omnes".

I. H. JEAYES.

British Museum,
8th February, 1893.

LYTTELTON PEDIGREE (*cont. from page* vi).

THOMAS de Luttelton. = Julian, dau. of R. de Somerie.

- THOMAS de L., Esquire of the Body to Hen. IV, V, VI; *ob.* 1422. = Maud, dau. of Ric. Quatermain. = John Massy.
  - Thomas Westcote; *ob. circ.* 1450. = 1 ELIZABETH. = Thomas Heuster, of Lichfield.
    - THOMAS, took name of Lyttelton, Justice of C. Pleas; *ob.* 1481. = Joan (*ob.* 1505), wid. of Sir P. Chetwynd.
      - Ellyn, wid. of Thomas Fielding. = 1 WILLIAM L., Knt.; *ob.* 1507. = 2 Mary, dau. of Wm. Whittington.
        - Joan. = Sir John Aston.
        - JOHN; *ob.* 1532. = Eliz., dau. of Sir G. Talbot.
          - Sir JOHN L., Knt.; *ob.* 1590. = Bridget, d. of Sir J. Packington.
            - Roger. = Eliz., d. of J. Stanley.
              - The Lytteltons of Studley.
            - George; *ob.* 1600.
            - Thomas.
            - 2 daughters.
          - Edward. = Eliz., wid. of Sir J. Talbot.
          - Gilbert.
          - Anthony.
        - Elizabeth. = Thos. Rouse.
      - Richard. = Alice, d. of Wm. Winnesbury.
        - Lytteltons of Pillaton Hall, Barts.
      - Thomas L., of Spechley, from whom descended Lord Keeper Lyttelton, Baron Mounslow. = Anne Botreaux.
    - Edmund Westcote.
    - Guy Westcote.
    - Nicholas Westcote.
    - 4 daughters.

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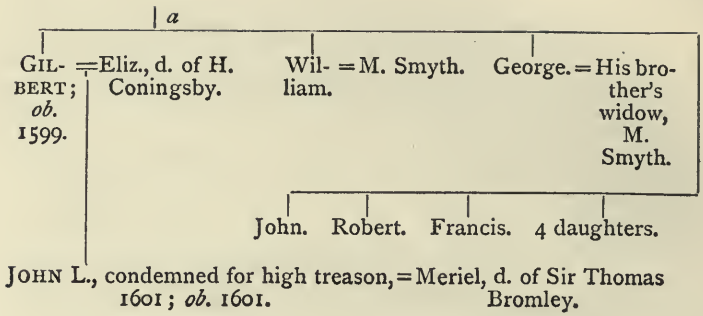
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GIL-BERT; ob. 1599.
Eliz., d. of H. Coningsby.
Wil-liam.
M. Smyth.
George.
His brother's widow, M. Smyth.
John.
Robert.
Francis.
4 daughters.
JOHN L., condemned for high treason, 1601; ob. 1601.
Meriel, d. of Sir Thomas Bromley.

THE

LYTTELTON CHARTERS

PRESERVED AT

HAGLEY.

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1. GRANT from the Convent of Wenlock to Robert de Hurchote of all the land of Chirhulle [Churchill, co. Worc.] belonging to the Monastery of St. James of Dudley, the said Robert to pay to the Friars of Dudley half a mark yearly. Witnesses: Hutred, chaplain; Richard, his son; Richard de Linleia; Reimund fil. Gold'; Roger Dispenser; Roger, son of Ralph; Walter de Bekeb'; Ralph de Hibernia; Thomas de Svnfor; Ralph Boruarius; Robert de Braci; Hugh, son of Adam. Temp. Hen. II. Lat. With seal, defaced and broken.

2. GRANT from Simon, Dominus de Frankeleya, to the Chapel of St. Leonard, Frankley [co. Worc.], of a certain land in Cleilond [in Frankley] within the following bounds: "sicut haya Radulfi Capellani circuit, scilicet a fonte Capellani usque ad hayam Osberti filii Edrici et sic per hayam Osberti usque ad hayam Radulfi Capellani, et de haya Capellani usque ad fontem Capellani." Witnesses: Adam, persona de Nortfeld [Northfield, co. Worc.]; Richard de Selleg'; Richard de Coston; Hugh, persona de Aluitha' [Alveley, co. Salop]; Henry, vicarius de Brocton [Broughton, co. Worc.]; Thomas, capellanus de Hales; Thomas de Nortfeld, clerk. Late 12th cent. Lat.

3. GRANT from King John to the Premonstratensian Canons of Hales [Hales Owen, co. Salop], founded by Peter [de Rupibus], Bishop of Winchester, of the Manor of

Hales, which the King had previously granted to the said Bishop, whom, and whose successors, the said Canons will consider their patrons. Witnesses: H[enry de Londres], Archbishop of Dublin; W[illiam de Longespee], Earl of Salisbury; H[ubert] de Burgo, justicier of England; William Briwerr'; William de Sancto Johanne; Hugh de Bernevall. Dat. "by the hand of Master Richard[1] [de Marisco], our Chancellor," at Clarendon, 8th Aug., Anno 17 [1215]. Lat. With fine impression of great seal.

4. GRANT from Simon de Frankeleg' to William de Stanpes of all that land which Margery his daughter held in Hilleley [Ylley, in Hales Owen], to hold by payment of a pair of gilt spurs valued at sixpence, or sixpence, in his manor of Frankley. Witnesses: The Lord Abbot of Halesowen; Dom. William de Kilkenny; Thomas de Frank'; William de Holdenhill; Alan de Frankel'; Adam de Bromwich; Clement de Lundres; Roulant his son; John Grandin; William de Hardeberwe; Thomas de Nortfeld, clerk. Temp. John. Lat.

5. INDENTURE of COVENANT between Roger, Abbot, and the Convent of Halesowen, and Dom. Simon de Frankeley, in settlement of disputes between them concerning certain lands in [Halesowen?], whereby the latter grants and quit-claims to the former all the land within certain bounds herein specified, that is "from the ford of Radeford to the ford of Linacre, from thence by the water of Esture [Stour] to Melley", etc., and the Abbot and Convent resign all claim "in assarto quod fuit Grandin'," and in all the lands which caused the dispute, agreeing also to build a millpool "on the water of Esture extending on to the land of Hales Manor", with certain conditions concerning the overflow of the said pool. Witnesses: Dom. William de Sumeri [*ob.* 6 Hen. III]; Henry Luvet; Richard fil. Willelmi; Richard

[1] Bishop of Durham in 1217, *ob.* 1226.

de Eggebaldeston; Richard de Amberle; Richard de Ruley; Richard de Selley; Hugh de Bellen'; William le Brun; Richard de Grafton; William de Sukkeberie. Temp. John. Lat.

6. GRANT from Symon, Dominus de Frankeleya, to the Church and Canons of Hales (for the souls of Rose his wife and Elicia his mother) of a rent of four shillings, "to be received by the hand of Robert de Mulnehurst or his heirs". Witnesses: Dom. William de Birmingeham; Ralph, chaplain of Frankley; Dom. Richard de Eggebaldeston; Richard de Selleya; Adam, persona de Norfeld [Northfield]; Alan de Frankel'; William de Oldehull; William de Ramesleya; Henry de Hamstid; Henry, brother of Dom. Symon de Frankele. Early temp. Hen. III. Lat.

7. QUIT-CLAIM from William Marshal, Earl of Pembroke, to the Canons of Halesowen (for the souls of himself and of Alienora his wife) of forty acres of land in Habbelenche [Abbots' Lench *al.* Hob Lench in Fladbury], which they hold from the gift of Warin de Upton and Hawise de Bello Campo his wife, and of common of pasture in the same land; the rent of four shillings to be paid yearly at Hinteberg [Inkberrow, co. Worc.]. Witnesses: Dom. Richard Marshal; Maurice de Gant; Hamo Grassus; John de Erleg', jun.; Henry de Braibof; Robert de Rocheford; Henry Grassus; Peter Malherbe; Godfrey, the clerk "who composed this charter". Early temp. Hen. III [1224-1231]. Lat. With seal.

8. GRANT from W[illiam] Marshall, Earl of Pembroke, to the Church, Abbot, and Canons of Hales, of an annual rent of four shillings which he has been accustomed to receive from the said Abbot and Canons for his assart of Habbelench [Abbots' Lench, co. Worc.]. Witnesses: Dom. John de Munemu; Stephen de Segrave; Robert

Marmiun; Hamo Grassus; Richard Siward; Warin Basset; William Burdet; Walter de Briscbroc; Geoffrey de Rupibus. Early temp. Hen. III. Lat. With seal.

9. CONFIRMATION from King Henry III of the grant by King John of the manor of Hales to the Abbey and Canons of Halesowen. Witnesses: Walter [de Gray], Archbishop of York; Walter [Mauclerk], Bishop of Carlisle; Hubert de Burgo, Earl of Kent, "our justicier"; Osbert Gyffard; Ralph fil. Nicholai, and Richard de Argentoein, "our seneschals"; John de Bassingeburn; Henry de Capella. Dat. "by the hand of Ralph [Nevill], Bishop of Chichester, our Chancellor," at Westminster, 5th Apr. Anno 11 [1227]. Lat. With fine impression of great seal.

10. GRANT from Robert de Hurcote to Hugh Drugel, in free marriage with Margery his sister, of the whole land of Chirichehull [Churchill], with the advowson of the church and the mill which he holds from Robert de Haggelege; paying yearly a rent of six shillings and eightpence to the Priory of Dudley for the vill of Churchill, and twenty shillings to the Lord of Hagley for the mill. Witnesses: Dom. Walter Le Poiher; Hugh Le Poiher; Henry de Ribbesford, and Henry his son; Richard Le Poiher, and John his son; Simon de Frankeleg', and Ralph his son; William and Hugh de Cokes'; Hugh de Sapy; Robert de Caldewell; Hugh de Bosco; John Cordewan; Richard de Caresi; John de Melele; Walter de Mappenoure; John de Sukkeleg'. Early temp. Hen. III. Lat. With seal.

11. COPY of Charter No. 10, with the names spelt somewhat differently. With seal.

12. GRANT from Hubert de Burgo, Earl of Kent, to Robert fil. Roberti de Glovernia, of the land which the latter held from Thomas de Burgo, the grantor's brother, in

the vill of Erleigh [Over Arley, co. Staff.], namely the land which belonged to Osbert de Hekstane, with all the pasture lying in front of the gate which was the said Osbert's; to hold at a rent of twelve shillings, in lieu of all services except scutage: for which grant the said Robert gave the said Hubert twenty-five marks of silver. Witnesses: Bertram de Kriol; Philip de Pery; Walter de Burgo; William Blancgernun; Ralph de Gatteleg'; Ranulf Brito; Alan Peruignant; John de Clahull; William de Gamages; Geoffrey de Vuerton; Henry de Ribeford; Richard de Euenesfeld; Osbert Russell; Adam de Camera. Temp. Hen. III [1227-1243]. With fragment of seal.

13. PROCEEDINGS[1] held at a meeting of the Dean of Kidderminster and the Chapter, in the church of Brome, concerning a dispute between the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen and Ralph, Chaplain of Frankley, the latter confessing that he had wrongly caused the dead body of a parishioner to be buried in the chapel of Frankley, to the detriment of the mother church of Hales; that it had never happened before, and promising that he will not repeat the offence, and stating that he has restored to Richard, the Cellarer, acting as Proctor for the Abbey, the offerings which were made at the chapel on the occasion. Dat. 1236. Copy. The seals of W——, Archdeacon of Worcester, and R——, Dean of Kidderminster, as well as the Chapter seal, were affixed to the original deed.

14. GRANT from King Henry III to Richard, Abbot, and the Canons of Hales [Hales Owen, co. Salop], of the church of Waleshal [Walsall, co. Staff.], with all chapels, liberties, etc., belonging to the same. Witnesses: Humphrey de Boun, Earl of Hereford and Essex; Bertram de Cryoll; Hugh de Vivonia; William Maudut; John de

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[1] Printed at length in Nash's *History of Worcestershire*, i. 461.

Lexinton; Philip Basset; Paulin Peyvre; Geoffrey le Despenser; Peter Braunch; Nicholas de Saunford; Henry de la Mare; Geoffrey de Langel'; Anketil Malore. Dat. Westminster, 18 Oct., Anno 31 [1247]. Lat. With fine impression of great seal, chipped.

15. CONFIRMATION by William, Prior of St. James of Dudley, to Robert fil. Magistri Ade de Hurecot', of the grant which the latter made to his son Robert of all his land of Chirchulla [Churchill]; to hold from the said church of Dudley by service of half a mark yearly, viz., forty pence on the F. of Purif. of B. V. Mary [2 Feb.] and forty pence on the F. of St. James [25 July]: in return for which confirmation the Prior has received the "homage and relief" of the said Robert. The land, if the latter die without heir, shall be held by Adam, his brother, by the same "relief". Witnesses: Symon de Franckel'; Walter de Overton; John de Midelton; Alan de Franckel'; William Jewe. Temp. Hen. III. Lat.

16. GRANT from Symon de Frankeleia, with consent of Rose his wife, and of his heir, to Nicholas fil. Ricardi de Hulla, for his service and homage, of a half virgate of land in Frankley Manor: to hold at a rent of four shillings and fourpence. Witnesses: Dom. Richard de Selleia; Richard de Costona; William de Sukebere; Clement de Selleia; Thomas de Bosco; Richard de Bindham; Henry de Berkeleia; William fil. Ysaac; William de Aldehulla; Richard Scriptor. Temp. Hen. III. Lat. With seal, defaced.

17. GRANT from Roger fil. Rogeri Clerici de Hales to the Abbot and Canons of Hales, of several plots of land in the territory of Hales, viz., the plot which Osbert Textor held, lying under Birimore; the plot which Thomas Capellanus held near the lake; the plot which Hernald Textor held, abutting on Caluescroft Wood; the plot which

Edwin Bedellus held: together with his close of Cumbes. He also grants to the Abbey and Canons permission to erect a millpool and a mill, reserving to himself fishing rights in the overflow water "within his old close", and the right to have all his own corn ground at the mill without toll or hindrance, "videlicet proximo post bladum supra molendinum inventum, nisi bladum domini Abbatis ibi inventum fuerit vel supervenerit." Witnesses: Dom. William Ruffus; Aldulph de Braci; William de Bromley; Simon de Frankele; Reginald de Periton; Master Adam de Norfeud; Jordan de Budiford; Philip de Hambir'; Roger de Wit'; Adam Gigan. Temp. Hen. III. Lat. With seal.

18. BOND from John Walerand, Clerk, to Richard, Abbot of Hales, and the Convent there, for the payment of the rent, viz. 40 pence at the four usual terms, for the land which Ralph, the Chaplain, held from him in Frankley, and which Philip de Frankley sold to the said John. Dat. Hales, M. bef. F. of St. Peter in Cathedra [22 Feb.] 1257[8]. Lat.

19. GRANT from Philip, Dominus de Frankeley, to the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen, of licence to enter his fee in the vill of Frankley, and to distrain in case of non-payment for the farm of the said vill. Temp. Hen. III. Lat.

20. GRANT from Philip, Dominus de Frankeleya, to the Church and Canons of Hales, of the service of William de Stampes for his tenement in the vill of Frankley, namely, a rent of twelve shillings yearly, with the usual services, homage, etc., of the said William. Witnesses: Dom. William de Birmingham, Miles; Dom. Henry de Hageleya, Miles; William Mansel; Richard de Fukerh'; William de Romesley; Hugh Senex de Haselb'; Hugh Juvenis

de eadem; Roger, son of Christiana. Temp. Hen. III. Lat.

21. GRANT from Ph[ilip], Dominus de Frankeleye, to William de Stampes, for his homage and service, and to Helena his wife, of all that land which the grantor's sister Margery some time held in Hilleleya [Ylley, co. Worc.] of the gift of Simon her father; and all that land with appurtenances, which Hobelot some time held, lying near the house of Peter Faber. Rent, twelve shillings. Witnesses: Adam de Bromwyz; Philip Wygornie; Osbert de Bosco; Ralph Ketel; Hugh Ketel; Gilbert de Hilleleye; John fil. Susane; Robert fil. Petri Fabri. Temp. Hen. III. Lat. With seal.

22. GRANT from Philip, Dominus de Francele, to John de Draycote, for his service, of the rents, homage, and service from lands, etc., which John Grandyn held from the said Philip in Frankley Manor. Rent, a pair of gloves at Easter. Witnesses: Philip de Wygornia; Richard Aleyn, of Frankley; William de Aldenhull; Henry del Aldehull, clerk; Ralph Ketel; Hugh Ketel; Osbert de Bosco; Thomas de Bosco; Laurence, capellanus. Temp. Hen. III. Lat. With seal.

23. GRANT from Roger Rokulf, Dominus de Chirchelench, to the Abbot and Canons of Hales, of a virgate of land in Chirchelench [Church-Lench, co. Worc.], with messuage and appurtenances, namely the land which Roger Kachemare held, with the usual warranty. But if he should be unable by any accident to warrant the said land, he will warrant the virgate of land which William, son of Reginald the clerk, held. Witnesses: Dom. William, son of Warin de Habbelench; Roger, son of Ranulph de Lench Ranulf [Rouse Lench]; Henry de Sautemareis, persona de Churchelench; Peter de Prestewode; Peter de Achelench; John Derling; Peter Palmerius; Nicholas Eadmund, of

Rouse Lench; Richard Rauel, of Rouse Lench. Temp. Hen. III. Lat. With seal.

24. GRANT from Roger Rokulf, Dominus de Chircheleng, to the Abbot and Canons of Halesowen, of seven perches of meadow in the meadow "quod appellatur Mora", near the vill of Chircheleng [Church-Lench] towards Acheton. Witnesses: Richard Rauel; Richard Page, of Rouse Lench; John Derling, of Abbots' Lench; Peter Palmer de Acheton; William, "gener eius"; John, son of William de Chirchleng'; Thomas fil. Gene, of the same town. Temp. Henry III. Lat. With seal.

25. GRANT from Roger Roculf, Dominus de Chirchelench, to the Abbot and Canons of Halesowen, of Luke his "nativus", with all his chattels and his suit, and the messuage and garden, and three selions of land in the vill of Church Lench. Witnesses: Dom. Gwydo Pipard; Dom. Warin de Habbelench; Dom. Walter de Stanes; Peter de Achelench; Robert, son of Eadmund de Lench Ranulphi; John Derling; Richard Rauel; Richard Le Page, of Rouse Lench. Temp. Hen. III. Lat. With seal.

26. QUIT-CLAIM from Philip de Wyrecestre, son of Philip de Wyrecestre, to Richard, son of Richard Alani de Frangeleya [Frankley], of a piece of land in the vill of Wylincwyke [Willingwick in Bromsgrove, co. Worc.]. Witnesses: William de Heruyntone; William de la Hurst; Stephen de Gildintre; William Leffur, of Willingwick; Walter de Longele; Hugh Ketul; John de Mulnehurst; William de la Berne. Late temp. Hen. III. Lat. With seal.

27. INSPEXIMUS[1] by Nicholas, Abbot, and the Convent of Halesowen, of the notification by E——, humilis

[1] Printed in full: Nash, i, 514.

minister de Hales, and the Convent there, of King Henry III's charter granting licence to the Convent "to make a borough" at Hales, with all liberties and customs; and that henceforth, after such grant is accomplished, all who shall receive burgages in Hales at the hands of the Convent shall pay an annual rent of 12 pence for each burgage: that the burgesses shall enjoy the same customs and privileges as the burgesses of Hereford, "quas pro arbitrio suo predicti burgenses de Hales sibi eligerant"; with common of pasture throughout the Manor of Hales and in the wood which extends from the new mill of the Convent to the ford of Chatley. Witnesses to the King's grant: E——, Abbot of Welbeck[1]; Thomas and Philip, chaplains of Hales; Dom. Richard, son of William; Richard de Bulay; Simon de Frankeley; Henry de Hamstede; Richard, clerk. Witnesses to the inspeximus: Dom. Henry de Eggebaston; Dom. William Fokeram; Henry de Hagley; Nicholas de Westhamstede; Philip de Pedmore; Master Richard, Rector of Farneberwe [Farnborough, co. Warw.]; William de Walshale, clerk. Late temp. Hen. III. Copy, on paper.

28. GRANT from Robert, son of William Attmelne de Frankley, to Edmund, son of Thomas de Luttleton, and to Lucy his wife, and to Matilda, daughter of John de Bossco de Franckeleye, of all the lands and tenements which the said Robert holds in Frankley by grant of Thomas, son of Osbert de Bossco; together with the dowries of Petronilla, sometime wife of Osbert de Bossco, and of Is[abel], sometime wife of John, son of Osbert de Bossco, in the vill of Frankley. Witnesses: Dom. John de Crafton, William de Fockeram, knights; John, son of Symon Aleyn; Symon le Bruyn; Nicholas Alexen; John de Middilton; John de Weleg'; William Gygan; Philip Ketel; Giles de Huthon. Late temp. Hen. III. Lat. With seal.

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[1] The Abbot of Welbeck was the Premonstratensian Superior of the Abbot of Hales.

29. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas, son of Osbert de Bosco de Frankele, to Edmund de Luttelton and Lucy his wife, and to Matilda, dau. of John, brother of the said Thomas, of the lands and tenements which Robert de Oldenulle de Frankele gave to the said Edmund, Lucy, and Matilda, in the vill of Frankley. Witnesses: William Gigan; William Ketil, of Frankley; Roger Lecot; Thomas le Frere de Norfeuld; Philip Ketil, of Frankley. Late temp. Hen. III. Lat.

30. GRANT from Walter Salemon, of Frankley, to William, Molendenarius [Miller], and Alice his wife, of his land, with houses, gardens, etc., in Frankley. Witnesses: Nicholas Alein; William Ketel; John le Seigneur; Thomas de Mulnehurst; Richard de Bedeworthe. Late temp. Hen. III. Lat. With seal.

31. GRANT from Walter de Bircote to John, son of Richard Faber de Bircote (for five shillings and sixpence), of three selions of land lying in the field called Menecroft, extending from the land of John le Bottere to the King's highway which leads from Westhale towards Blakewelle [Blackwell in Tredington]. Rent, two pence. Witnesses: William de la Linde; Maurice de Bircote; John de Fonte; William le Riche; Richard Edrich; William de la Yildhalle; John le Waleys, jun., "istius carte notarius." Late temp. Hen. III. Lat. With seal, broken.

32. QUIT-CLAIM from John Picard, son of Hugh de Waban, to Thomas, son of William de Bomleye of Arley, and Margaret his wife, of all the lands and tenements in Arnleye [Over Arley] which fell to him on the death of Hugh his father. Witnesses: Dom. John Pecche; Dom John Murdac; Dom. William Tracy; Dom. John Giffard of Chilynton [Chillington, co. Staff.], Knt.; Thomas de Wynnesbure; John de la Lee; Ralph, Dominus de Euenefeld; John Danyel; Thomas de Jaye; John de Hetheye;

Walter de Sschekenhurst. Temp. Hen. III—Edw. I Lat. With seal, defaced.

33. GRANT from Roger Fokerham to John de la Grene, of Ridgeacre, and Alice his wife, of all his messuage, with meadows, pasture and wood, and two crofts called Grenefeldus which lie in Rugeaker [Ridgeacre]. Rent, seven shillings yearly. Witnesses: John de Luttelton; Thomas Nicholus; Geoffrey Oseberti; Henry de Caldewall; Thomas de Barefon. Dat. Warley, Fr. in Easter Week [6 Apr.] 2 Ed. I [1274]. Lat.

34. GRANT from King Edward I to his beloved "valettus" Letard de Henyn, of the Manor of Arneleye [Over Arley, co. Staff.], which John de Burgo, sen., held from King Henry III, and which the same John granted to "our beloved Clerk, Robert Burnell",[1] who restored the same to the King: to hold by service of one knight's fee. Witnesses: Walter [de Merton], Bishop Elect of Rochester; Thomas de Clare; John de Vesey; Oto de Grandisono; Robert de Tybetot; Hugh, son of Oto; Walter de Helyun; Michael Maucundut. Dat. Tower of London, 5 Oct., Anno 2 [1274]. With great seal, broken.

35. GRANT from Letard de Heny[n] to Dom. Roger de Mortuomari, of the Manor of Ernleye [Over Arley, co. Staff.], to hold from the King by the service pertaining to the said Manor. Witnesses: Dom. Robert Burnell, Bishop of Bath, Lord Chancellor; Master Roger de Seyton,[2] "Justiciarius de Banco"; Master Walter Scamel, Dean of Salisbury; Master Ralph de Frenyngeham; Dom. Brian de Bromtone; Walter de Heliun; Walter de Hopton; Henry de Ribbesford; Dom. John de Medyngeham. [1276.] Lat. With seal of arms.

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[1] Bishop of Bath and Wells in 1275.

[2] Chief Justice of Common Pleas, 1274; *ob. circ.* 1278.

36. LETTERS PATENT of King Edward I, granting licence to Letard de Henyn to convey the Manor of Arneleye [Over Arley, co. Staff.], which he had before granted to him [see Charter No. 34], to Roger de Mortuo Mari. Dat. Westminster, 4 June, Anno 4 [1276]. Lat. With great seal, chipped.

37. CONFIRMATION by Emma, Domina de Fraunkeleye, widow [*ob.* 1298], to the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen (for the soul of her late husband, Aunger de Tatlintone) of an annual rent of two shillings from the land which Hugh de la Rudinge holds in Frankley. Witnesses: Dom. Henry de Egebastone; Dom. William de Fokerham; John de Middeltone; Adam de Teshale; Richard de Adnebrok. Dat. Frankley, F. of St. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.] 4 Edw. I [1276]. Lat. Copy.

38. GENERAL RELEASE from Nicholas de Frankeley to Nicholas de Wythemale, Knt. Witnesses: Dom. John Wylby, Knt.; William de Sancto Germano, de Brouton [Broughton]; William de Sancto Mauro, de Haumton; Hugh de Orlingbere; Henry de Rauton. Dat. Wythemale, S. aft. F. of St. James [25 July], 7 Edw. I [1279]. Lat.

39. RECITAL by G[odfrey Giffard], Bishop of Worcester, of letters of Pope Martin IV, dat. "apud urbemveterem [Orvieto] xii Kal. Oct. Pontificatus nostri I [1281]", granting to the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen that, when the vicarages of Hales and Walsall become vacant by cession or death, the Abbot and Convent shall have the right of presenting to the Bishop of the Diocese one of their Canons for the vacant living; and, in accordance with the above letters, the Bishop hereby appoints Robert de Crouk, Canon and Priest of Halesowen, to the vicarage of Hales, vacant by the cession of Richard, dictus Tinctor, de Hales. Dat. Bredon, xiiii Kal. Nov. [19 Oct.] 1282. Lat. With fragment of the Bishop's seal.

40. LETTERS PATENT of King Edward I, granting licence to Johanna Buttetourt to alienate the Manor of Werneleye [Warley], co. Worc., to the Abbey of Halesowen, for the support of three of the Canons to act as chaplains for the celebration of Divine Service at the Abbey Church, for the burning of six wax candles, valued at one mark, every year, and, after her death, for the payment of one mark "pro pitancia sua", and for the distribution of twenty shillings to the poor on her anniversary day. Dat. Tower of London, 2 May, Anno II [1283]. Lat. With great seal, broken.

41. LETTERS PATENT of King Edward I to the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen, granting them licence to furnish with battlements the walls within the Abbey which they have lately built. Dat. Westminster, 6 Dec., Anno 22 [1293]. Lat. With great seal, broken.

42. GRANT from William Le Gerrus to Roger, son of Henry de Hexston, of all the land which he holds from Dryu de Nethercote and from William Dryu, in the vill of Arley [Over Arley], to hold by the usual services to the chief Lord of Arley. Witnesses: John de Tresel'; Philip de Lutteleye; William de Whytynton; William de la Horewode; William, son of John Lyoyne; Nicholas de Whytenhull. Dat. Arley, Fr. bef. F. of Purif. of B. V. Mary [2 Feb.], 23 Edw. I [1295]. Lat.

43. QUIT-CLAIM from Robert, Prior, and the Monks of Dudley to the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen, of the advowson of a fourth part of the church of Northfield, namely the chapel of Frankley, which advowson they have lately claimed in the King's Court against the said Abbot and Convent. Dat. Dudley, F. of St. John a. p. L. [6 May], 25 Edw. I [1297]. Lat.

44. GRANT from Robert Martel, of Radewell [co. Bedf.]

to Roger de Norton, clerk, of two acres of land in Turueye [Turvey, co. Bedf.], of which the bounds are given at length. Rent, "unum clavum gariophili". Witnesses: William Mordaunt; Roger de Wylie; Stephen Le Bedel; Geoffrey ad boscum; William Clerc; Simon Groucok; Peter de Hotot. Late 13th cent. Lat. With seal, broken.

45. GRANT from Henry, Dominus de Haggeley, to William de la Putte, of Churchill, of a half virgate of land which Roger le Proud sometime held in Herdeberue [Harborow] in Hagley Manor. Rent, three shillings. Witnesses: Philip, Dominus de Pebmore; Richard de Meleford; John de Madeley; Richard Adam, of Lutley; Warin de la Lye, of Lutley; Alexander de Herdeberue. Late 13th cent. Lat.

46. GRANT from Nicholas de Frankeley to Nicholas de Wythemale, Knt., of a hundred shillings annual rent due from Thomas, the grantor's son, in the vill of Frankley. Witnesses: William de Collemore; John de Middelton; John Stille; Richard le Folour; Thomas Paylington. Dat. Frankley, S. bef. F. of B. Virgin Mary "in March" [25 Mar.], 27 Edw. I [1299]. Lat.

47. QUIT-CLAIM from Nicholas de Frankeley to Dom. Nicholas de Wymale, Knt., of the Manor of Frankley, together with sixty shillings annual rent pertaining thereto, and all appurtenances excepting one hundred shillings rent which Thomas de Frankeley holds in Frankley. Dat. Frankley, Vig. of Palm Sunday [12 Apr.], 27 Edw. I [1299]. Lat.

48. GRANT from Nicholas de Frankeley to Dom. Nicholas de Wymale, Knt., of the ward and marriage of Thomas, his firstborn son, with all his rent, etc., in the vill of Frankley, together with suits of courts and profits from his tenants in Frankley till the said Thomas comes of age.

Witnesses: Richard le Felour de Testhall; Henry de Arche, of the same; William Collemore; Thomas Paylinton; William Ketyl. Dat. Frankley, Easter Eve [9 Apr.], 28 Edw. I [1300]. Lat.

49. GRANT from Richard, son of Dom. William Fokerham, Knight, to Reginald Fokerham his brother, for his free service, of Thomas Coutholf his "nativus", with all his goods and chattels, etc., with the tenement he holds in the vill of Rugacre and Werueleye [Ridgeacre in Hales and Warley]. Witnesses: Dom. Adam de Elmbrugge, Knt.; John de Wassebourne; Thomas de Solleye, clerk; John Kent, clerk; John de Middelton; John de Lutlynton; Thomas Nicholus. Dat. Warley, Fri. Mor. of St. Wulfstan, Bp. [19 Jan.], 30 Edw. I [1302]. Lat. With seal.

50. QUIT-CLAIM from Nicholas de Frankeley, son and heir of Anger de Tatlynton, to Nicholas de Wythemale, Knt., of all his rent in the vill of Frankley from his tenants of Frankley, with all profits, namely, that rent which fell to him on the death of Christina, sometime Domina de Frankeley, which she held by right of dowry. Witnesses: John de Myddelton; John de Velez; William de Collemore; Richard le Valker; John Stylle; Robert de Orlingbere; Richard Lothus. Dat. Frankeley, Vig. of Palm Sunday [15 Apr.], 30 Edw. I [1302]. Lat.

51. GRANT from Thomas de Pyrcote, Chaplain, to Nicholas fil. Angery de Tatlyntone, Lord of Frankley, in marriage with Margery, the grantor's sister, of his burgage of land in the vill of Hales, which he purchased from Henry his brother. Witnesses: Dom. William de Fokeham; Dom. Nicholas de Wymale; Edmund de Haggeley; Richard de Cappenore, Ballivus de Frankele; Thomas Tinctor, of Hales; Nicholas, Chaplain of Hales; Nicholas de Yrenmongere; John Ate Pole; John de Ylleleye. Dat.

Tues. bef. F. of St. George [23 Apr.], 32 Edw. I [1304]. Lat. With seal.

52. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas de Pyrcote de Halesowayn, Chaplain, to Nicholas de Frankeleye and Margery his wife, sister to the grantor, of a burgage, etc., in the vill of Halesowen. Dat. Hales, Fri. bef. F. of the Assumption of the B. V. Mary [15 Aug.], 32 Edw. I [1304]. French. With seal.

53. QUIT-CLAIM from Nicholas de Frankeleye to Nicholas de Aston and Lucy his wife, of a certain plot of land lying opposite the house of the said Nicholas de Aston [in Frankley]. Witnesses: William Ketel, of Frankley; Ralph Staumpes, of the same; Adam le Wariner, of the same; Nicholas Chapeleyn. Dat. Frankley, M. aft. F. of St. Michael [29 Sept.], 32 Edw. I [1304]. Lat.

54. GRANT from Thomas Stampes, of Frankley, to Roger Jonis, of Frankley, of a plot of land which he acquired from Helena Staumpes and Alice his mother [in Frankley]. Witnesses: Salamon de Hestun; Adam Gigan; William Ketell; Nicholas Aleyn. Dat. Frankley, Wed. aft. F. of St. Mark [25 Apr.], 33 Edw. I [1305]. Lat.

55. GRANT from Walter fil. Osberti de Bosco to Nicholas de Aston, of a messuage and all his land in Frankeleye [Frankley]. Witnesses: Nicholas Aleyn; William Ketel; Ralph Staumpes; Adam le Wariner; William le Bercher. Dat. Frankley, Thursd. bef. F. of St. Michael [29 Sept.], 33 Edw. I [1305]. Lat. With seal.

56. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas de Lutlinton, "consanguineus et heres" of Edmund de Lutlinton, to Nicholas de Astone, jun., and Lucy his wife, lately wife of the said Edmund, of a messuage and moiety of a virgate of land in Frankley, which the said Lucy holds for her life by feoff-

ment of Rob. del Oldenhulle to the said Edmund and Lucy, and which on her death should revert to the said Thomas. Witnesses: William Rekulf, citizen of Worcester; William Cowe, of the same; John fil. Ricardi, Seneschal of Worcester; Thomas Grose; Richard de Kemeseye, of the same place. Dat. Worcester, S. bef. F. of St. Mark [25 Apr.], 34 Edw. I [1306]. Lat. With seal.

57. GRANT from John de Lutleton, with the assent of Lucy, "dicta Le Fremon de Werueleye", his wife, to the Abbot and Convent of Hales, "quod possint se imperpetuum approwyare de omnibus vastis suis ubicumque se extenderint infra manerium suum de Hales." Temp. Edw. I. Lat. With seal, broken.

58. QUIT-CLAIM from Gregory fil. Willelmi Fullonis de Bredon to Henry Juvenis, of an acre of land called Symondesaker in the vill of Frankley, paying one penny at Easter to Edmund de Lutlynto[n], and one penny to William de Nortfeld, chief lord. Witnesses: William de Collemor; Richard de Hamtuslowe; William Jones; Richard de Hulle; Nicholas de la Forde. Temp. Edw. I. Lat.

59. GRANT from Roger de Mortuo Mari to Hugh de Waban, for his homage and service, of all that land which Alexander de Colrugge sometime held in Arley Manor, with the land called "terra de la More" held by Richard Hyrlaund and Maud his wife in the same manor. Rent, thirteen shillings and four pence. Witnesses: Henry de Morf; William de Wicinton; William Gonni; Henry de Hextane; John, son of Lioninus; William Le Gerros; Henry de Witenhulle. Temp. Edw. I. Lat.

60. GRANT from William Driu to William Le Gerous, for his service and four-and-a-half marks of silver, of all that tenement in the vill of Arnley [Over Arley, co. Staff.],

with wood, meadow, etc., namely, the tenement "quod aliquando exegi de predicto Willelmo et de Juliana uxore sua, et unde ipsos inplacitavi in comitatu Staffordie". Witnesses: John, Dominus de Astleg'; John Le Pouer; John de la Lawe; Henry de Hekstane; William Gonny; William de Camera; Henry de Witenhul. Temp. Edw. I. Lat.

61. QUIT-CLAIM from John, son of Thomas Gardyng de Halesowayn [Halesowen], to Robert Bere, of Cradley, of a burgage or messuage, with houses and cottages built thereon, which the same Robert at different times bought from Thomas Gardyng his father, in Halesowen, lying between the messuage of Dom. John, Persona de Oldeswyneford [Old Swinford], and the King's Highway. Witnesses: Richard le Deystere, of Hales; John fil. Johannis de eadem; Roger de Waleshal, of Hales; Richard, son of Hugh de Haselbury. Temp. Edw. I. Lat.

62. GRANT from Richard Bercarius, of Halesowen, to William, son of Roger de Walshale, of an acre of land in the Heyfeld, lying near the hedge "apud Nonemonnes Lydegate" [in Halesowen]. Witnesses: Richard le Deyster, of Hales; John, son of John de Haselburi; Roger de Walshal, and Nicholas le Iremongere. Temp. Edw. I. Lat.

63. GRANT from Richard le Deystere, of Halesowen, to Randulf le Barkere, of Hales, of nine selions of land in Halesowen, in the field called Le Heyefeld. Witnesses: Thomas de Haselbury; John, son of John de Hales; John le Deystere; Richard Broun; John de Illeye, and others. Temp. Edw. I. Lat. With seal.

64. GRANT from John de Draycote to Symon Grandin, of Frankley, for his homage and service, of that land which John Grandin held from him in the vill of Frankley. To be

held by the same Symon, and his heirs by Albreda his wife, or to whomsoever he shall assign it, "salvo Judeismo et domo religiosa," by service of two shillings, "salvo servicio Domini Regis quantum pertinet ad duodecim denarios redditus in villa de Frankele." For the grant and warranty the said Symon gave the said John twelve shillings, instead of the heriot of John Grandin. Witnesses; Henry de Meddeltone; Adam de Wele; Adam de Bromys; Adam de Theshale; Hugh Ketel; William de Bosco; Osbert de Bosco; Nicholas de Theshale. Temp. Edw. I. Lat.

65. GRANT from William Fokeram, Dominus de Werueleygh, to Richard Fokeram his son, of all the Manor of Weruelegh [Warley-Wigorn], with all lands, etc., in Werueleygh, Ruggacre, Cakemore, Langeleye, and Wallokeshale, "unacum cantaria de la Brendehalle capelle Sancte Katerine virginis spectanti": together with all the tenement in the fee of Roweleygh [Rowley] in co. Stafford, which Richard Fokeram his father acquired. Witnesses: John de Middelton; John de Lutlinton; Roger Fokeram; Thomas Nicoles; Geoffrey Osbern; Thomas de Bereffen; Henry le Haueke; Ralph le Symple. Dat. Stotton, S. aft. F. of SS. Peter and Paul [29 June], 2 Edw. II [1309]. Lat. With fragment of seal.

66. GRANT from John Gunny to William de Thornbury and Isabella his wife, of all his land of Hexston [Hextons] in Arley (excepting his close and marsh land with the trees growing in his wood), reserving to himself common of pasture in the same land for four oxen, thirty sheep, six pigs, and one sow with her young, and excepting also two "stakynges" in the R. Severn. With proviso that if either the said William or Isabella shall decease within eight years, the survivor shall have power to assign the said lands for a term of five years. Witnesses: Ralph de Euenefeld; William de la Horewode; Roger de Hexston; Walter de

Dunsowe; Nicholas de Whytenhull. Dat. Hextons, T. aft. F. of St. Nicholas [6 Dec], 3 Edw. II [1309]. Lat.

67. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas, son of John Staumpes, to Adam de Whatecroft, of eight pence annual rent from a certain messuage and land in the vill of Fraunkeleye [Frankley] lying near the road called Grandynneslone. Witnesses: John de Mideltone; John de Weleye; Nicholas Aleyn; Adam Gygan; William Ketel. Dat. Frankley, Fr. aft. F. of St. Mark [Apr. 25], 4 Edw. II [1311]. Lat. With fragment of seal.

68. CONFIRMATION from Richard Fokerham, Dominus de Weruelege, to Geoffrey Osebern de Weruelege, of the lands, etc., in Warley which he formerly held from Dom. William Fokerham his father, namely, a plot which Richard Colus sometime held, the tenements which Peter de la Grene de Rugaker sometime held, the lands which Thomas, son of Osbert de Caldewelle, sometime held in villenage at Ridgeacre, the land which Nicholas le Welbe held in villenage in Rugakerfelt at Hyddelege, with the plot called Welbegrene in Le Westerne field. Witnesses: John de Luttleton; Henry de Caldewalle; Thomas Nicholes. Dat. Warley, Th. aft. F. of All Saints [1 Nov.], 5 Edw. II [1311]. Lat. With seal.

69. GRANT from Roger de Hexston to Henry his brother, of all his lands and tenements in Arnleye [Over Arley]. Witnesses: Simon de Aluitheleye; Walter le Dunsowe; William de la Horewode; Nicholas de Whyttehull; William Lyoyne. Dat. Arley, "Festum clausi Pasche" [22 Apr.], 6 Edw. II [1313]. Lat.

70. GRANT from Adam de Herwynton, Dominus de Frankeleye, to Henry le Pryn, of a certain parcel of land in Frankley near the land of Roger Saundre. Witnesses: Nicholas Aleyn; Adam de Watcrofte; William Ketel, and

others. Dat. Frankley, Fr. Eve of St. Bartholomew [24 Aug.], 8 Edw. II [1314]. Lat.

71. GRANT from John Gunny, son of the late Master William Gunny, to John, his servant, son of Johanna le Kynges de Aluitheleye [Alveley, co. Salop], of all his land of Siluestres in Arley, and part of his land in the marsh of Hecstan [Hextons, in Arley]. Witnesses: Roger de Hecstan; John Pykard; William Jones; Nicholas de Whytenhul; William de la Horewode; William de la Lowe; Richard le Albot; Elias le Albot, his brother; William de Helewey. Dat. Hextons, Wed. aft. F. of St. Matthias [24 Feb.], 8 Edw. II [1315]. Lat. With seal.

72. GRANT from Richard Le Bere to John de Oldenhull and Dionysia his wife, of all the lands and tenements which he held by grant from the said John, in Frankley. Witnesses: Nicholas Aleyn, of Frankley; Adam de Watecroft; William Ketel; Thomas de Paylinton. Dat. Frankley, M. aft. F. of St. James [25 July], 9 Edw. II [1315]. Lat. With seal.

73. GRANT from Reginald, son of Dom. William Fokerham, Knt., to John Fokerham his brother, for his free service, of Thomas Coutholf, of Rugacre, formerly his "nativus", with his suit, etc., and the tenement which he holds in Rugacre and Werueleye [Ridgeacre and Warley]. Witnesses: Richard de Hales; John de Lutlynton; Geoffrey de Caldewalle; Roger Basset; Thomas Nicholus. Dat. Warley, All Saints' Day [1 Nov.], 9 Edw. II [1315]. Lat. With seal.

74. GRANT from John, son of Johanna le Kynges de Haddeleye [Hadley, co. Salop], to William de la Lowe, of all his land of Siluestres, with a "grange" built over it, etc., and a part of the marsh of Hecstan [Hextons in Over Arley, co. Staff.]. Rent, six shillings. Witnesses: Thomas de

Bromleye; Roger de Hecstan; John Pikard; Ralph de Euenefeld; Gilbert de Douesleye; William de la Horewode; William, son of John Lyoyne; John de Amptewyke; John Gunny, clerk. Dat. Hextons, M. F. of St. Alphege, Bp. [19 Apr.], 9 Edw. II [1316]. Lat. With seal.

75. MORTGAGE from the same to the same, of the same land, for twenty marks, the deed of mortgage to remain in the hands of Roger le Poer and Giles le Poer, of Romsley, for the space of the two years during which the land is mortgaged. Same witnesses. Same date. Lat. With seal.

76. GRANT from Nicholas Aleyn, of Frankley, to John, son of John de Salucroft, for his service, of three shillings annual rent in Wyllingwyche [Willingwick] from land, etc., which William, son of Simon de Grimley, formerly held from him in Willingwick. Witnesses: Richard de Bikcreston; Adam de Wetecroft; Richard le Sominor; Adam de Offemor; Thomas de Longelege. Dat. Willingwick, Whitsun Eve [29 May], 9 Edw. II [1316]. Lat.

77. GRANT from John Gunny to Thomas Conan and Laurentia his wife, of seven shillings and four pence annual rent from the land which Domina Isabella, widow of Dom. William de Thornbury, holds from him for her life in Hecstan [Hextons] in Arley Manor, with the reversion of the same land and two "stakynges" in the R. Severn. Witnesses: Walter de Cokeseye; Clement de Dunclent; Thomas de Bromleye; Roger le Poer; Richard de la Lowe; William de la Lowe; William, son of Geoffrey de Cokeseye. Dat. Arley, Thursd. F. of St. Dunstan [21 Oct.], 10 Edw. II [1316]. Lat.

78. GRANT from John de la Grene de Rugaker to Geoffrey de Caldewelle and Isabella his wife, and Geoffrey

their son, of two fields in one close in Rugaker [Ridgeacre] within the fee of Weruelege [Warley], together with four selions of land in the same fee, lying in Hyddelege [Hidley, near Hales]. Rent, eight pence. Witnesses: John le Freman; Thomas Nicholes; Thomas de Bareffen; Henry le Hauek; Henry de Caldewell. Dat. Ridgeacre, Fr. F. of Ann. of B. V. Mary [25 Mar.], 10 Edw. II [1317]. Lat.

79. GRANT from John, son of Henry de Hulle, of Hales, to William, son of Robert de Horborne and Agnes, dau. of Geoffrey de Caldewelle, for their services, of the tenement which the said John formerly held from Richard Fokerham, Dominus de Weruelege, in the fee of Weruelege [Warley], to hold by service of three silver pence to the chief lord. Witnesses: Roger Fokerham; John de Luttleton; Thomas Nicholes, faber; Geoffrey de Caldewelle; John de Thewenhale. Dat. Warley, Sun. aft. F. of St. Scholastica [10 Feb.], 12 Edw. II [1319]. Lat. With seal, defaced.

80, 81. QUIT-CLAIM, in duplicate, from Thomas, son of Nicholas de Fraunkeleye, to Dom. Adam de Herwyntone, of the manor and vill of Frankley. Witnesses: Dom. William Corbet, Dominus de Chaddesleye; Alexander de Beseford; Richard de Bykertone; Adam de Hwatcroft; John de London, of Pershore; Dom. Robert de la Felde, Vicar of the Churches of Bremesgrave [Bromsgrove] and Norton, and others. Dat. Pershore, Sat. aft. F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 Mar.], 12 Edw. II [1319]. Lat.

82, 83. GRANT, in duplicate, from Roger Fokerham to Geoffrey de Caldewelle and Isabella his wife, and to William Atte Wode, of West Bromwich, and Agnes his wife, and Philip, son of the said Geoffrey, of a plot of land in the fee of Warley, which is called Sweynesfeld, lying between the road leading to Hales and the land called Haraldesfeld, to hold by service of one penny to the chief lord. Witnesses: John le Freman; Thomas Nichol;

Thomas de Bareffen; Henry de Hauek; Henry de Caldewelle. Dat. Ridgeacre, Mon. aft. "clausum Pasche" [S. aft. Easter, 15 Apr.], 11 Edw. II [1319]. Lat.

84. QUIT-CLAIM from John Gunny to Thomas Conan and Laurentia his wife, of all the lands which he holds in Hecstan and Siluestres, within the Manor of Arley. Witnesses: Walter de Cokeseye; Clement de Dunclent; Thomas de Bromleye; Simon de Aluitheleye; Roger Le Poer; Richard de la Lowe; William de la Horewode; William, son of Geoffrey de Cokeseye. Dat. Doddeford, Sat. Mor. of Nativity of B. V. Mary [8 Sep.], 12 Edw. II [1319]. Lat.

85. LEASE, for life, from John de Wyteleye to John de Luttleton, of a plot of land in the fee of Werueleye [Warley-Wigorn] called Le Porterescroft, lying between Le Slow and Le Grenelone. Rent, six pence of silver. "Et predictus Johannes de Luttleton nec assignati sui nullas arbores super dictam terram crescentes amputabunt nec asportabunt, tamen capient de spinis et de ceteris minutis rebus ad claustruram sufficientem habendam." Witnesses: Richard Fokerham; Richard de Wikereston; Adam de Wetecroft; Thomas Nicholes; Richard de Werueleye. Dat. Warley, Th. aft. F. of Nat. of B. V. Mary [8 Sep.], 13 Edw. II [1319]. Lat. With seal.

86. INSPEXIMUS by Adam de Herwynton, Dominus de Fraunkelegh, of the following charters, viz.:

(a) Grant[1] by Richard, Abbot, and the Convent of Halesowen, to Philip, Dominus de Fraunkelegh, of the land which Ralph, chaplain of Frankley, held in Frankley.

(b) Licence from Philip, Dominus de Fraunkeley, to the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen, to distrain for rent of the above land if not paid within proper time.

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[1] Cf. Charters, Nos. 18, 19.

(c) Bond from John Walrand, clerk to Richard, Abbot, and the Convent of Halesowen, for payment of rent of the same lands. [1257.]

Dat. Frankley, 1 Aug. 15 Edw. II [1321].

87. a. b. GRANT and RELEASE from Roger Fokerham to Richard de Bykerton and Margaret his wife, of a certain meadow in Ruggeacre [Ridgeacre] which belonged to Thomas Sweynes de Werueleye [Warley], and lies between the field of Weleye and the land of Geoffrey de Caldewell. Witnesses: Adam de Herwynton; Adam de Whatecroft; Geoffrey de Caldewell; John de Eadbryghton; Robert de Coderugge; Richard de Ambresle, clerk. Dat. Frankley, Mon. aft. F. of St. Michael [29 Sept.], 15 Edw. II [1321]. Lat. With seals.

88. GRANT from Henry Simond, of Warley, to Richard de Wyrleye, of a plot of land in the fee of Warley, lying "in le Vasterne", which is called Le Welbegrenen. Witnesses: Geoffrey de Caldewelle; Henry de Thewenhale; Thomas Nicholes; Thomas de Baresfen; John de Whyteleye; Henry le Hauek; John le Freman. Dat. Warley "die Cœnæ" [Maunday Thursday, 8 Apr.], 15 Edw. II [1322]. Lat. With seal.

89. GRANT from Geoffrey de Caldewelle to Richard de Wyrleye, of a plot of land in the fee of Werueley [Warley] in the field called Welbegrenen. Rent, one penny to the chief lord. Witnesses: Adam de Whetecroft; John de Middelton; William de Weley; Thomas de Bareffen; John de Werueley; Henry Simond. Dat. Warley, Thurs. bef. F. of St. Mark [25 Apr.], 15 Edw. II [1322]. Lat.

90. LEASE, for lives, from John "dictus Picard, fil. et her. Hugonis de Waban", to Thomas, son of William de Bromleye, of Arley, and Margaret his wife, of all those lands and tenements in Arley which the said Hugh during his

life held by feoffment from Letard de Henyn, sometime Lord of Arley. Witnesses: Thomas Conan; Peter de Hynckeleye; Henry, son of Roger de Hextan; William de la Horewode; William de la Lowe; Henry de Wytenhull; John de Wytenhull. Dat. Arley, 8 June, 16 Edw. II [1323]. Lat.

91. GRANT from Alice, daughter of Philip de Bruere de Hulle, to William Yve, of Ridgacre, and Alice and Matilda "our daughters", of the messuage which formerly belonged to Thomas Sweynes, and which the present grantor bought from Roger Fokerham, in the fee of Werueleye [Warley-Wigorn]. Witnesses: Geoffrey de Caldewelle; John de Luttleton; Thomas Nicholes; Thomas de Baresfen; Henry de Caldewelle. Dat. Warley, F. of Assumption of B. V. Mary [15 Aug.], 17 Edw. II [1323]. Lat. With fragment of seal.

92. GRANT from Thomas, son of Adam de Whetecroft, of Northfield, to Richard de Wyrleye, of all his land which he bought from Geoffrey de Caldewelle in the fee of Werueley [Warley], which land is called the moiety of the Welbegrenen which William Marmion sometime held from the said Geoffrey. Witnesses: Geoffrey de Caldewelle; Nicholas de Wylinghurst; John de Werueleye; Thomas Nicholes; Henry le Hauek. Dat. Warley, Thursd. aft. F. of St. Andrew [30 Nov.], 17 Edw. II [1323]. Lat. With seal.

93. GRANT from Roger Fokerham to Geoffrey de Caldewelle and Isabella his wife, and Philip their son, of a plot of his land in the fee of Werueley [Warley-Wigorn] between Beldelanton and Haraldesfeld, and between the land called Ivelond and the road leading towards Haraldeswelle, to hold by service of "unum clavum gariophili". Witnesses: Richard de Wyrleye; Thomas Nicholes; Thomas de Baresfen; John de Werueley; Henry le

Hauek. Dat. Warley, Th. aft. Tr. of St. Thomas [7 July], 19 Edw. II [1325]. Lat. With seal.

94. ADMISSION of William Chircheyord, nativus, to a messuage and land called Le Godfraylonde in le Nasshe Eynde, in Arley Manor, on the surrender of Richard Penne and Tibota his wife. Dat. 9 Oct. s. a. Lat.

95. QUIT-CLAIM from Roger de Weston to John, son of Hugh de Morf, of lands and tenements which he holds from the said John at La Lee, in the fields of Aluitheleye [Alveley, co. Salop]. Witnesses: John de Wytheleie; Robert de Braundon; William Hondy, and others. Dat. Saldford, F. of St. Hilary [13 Jan.], 12 Edw. III [1329]. Lat. With seal.

96. INSPEXIMUS[1] and CONFIRMATION by Adam [de Orleton], Bishop of Worcester, of the original grant by Peter de Rupibus], Bishop of Winchester, of the appropriation of Hales, with its chapels, to the Canons and Convent of Halesowen, and the various confirmations of the same by (a) Walter de Cantilupo, Bishop of Worcester, 8 Nov. Anno pontificatus primo [1236]; (b) Simon, Prior of Worcester, xi Kal. Apr. [22 Mar.] 1249; (c) Silvester, Bishop of Worcester [1216-1218]; (d) Godfrey, Bishop of Worcester, vii Kal. Apr. [26 Mar.] 1269; (e) Martin [IV], Pope, xii Kal. Oct. [20 Sep.] [1281-1285]. Dat. Hartlebury, 4 Jan. 1331 [2]. Lat. With fragment of episcopal seal.

97. GRANT from John, son of Philip de Baueresfen, to Dom. John de Willishamstede, Rector of Old Swinford, and Alice de Willishamstede, "filiola" of John, and to Symon de Harwedone and Beatrice, sister of the latter, of the tenement which he bought from Henry Tinctor, in the vill of Hales, which tenement abuts on the High Street "ubi

[1] Printed in full: Nash, ii, App. xxviii.

tenetur forum rerum venalium". Witnesses: Henry Tinctor of Hales; Richard his son; John Chepe, and others. Early temp. Edw. III. Lat.

98. GRANT from John de Wylleshamstede, Rector of Old Swinford, to Dom. Walter, chaplain of Old Swinford, and William le Kyng, of the tenement the said John holds in Hales, paying annual rent to the chief lord of three pence farthing. Witnesses: Richard Tynctor; Thomas de Haselbure; Ranulph le Barkar, and others. Dat. Old Swinford, M. aft. F. of St. Hilary [13 Jan.], 5 Edw. III [1332]. Lat. With seal.

99. QUIT-CLAIM from Agnes, dau. of Philip, "in the Wode de Frankeleye", to Lucy, dau. of Richard Hereward, of all that land called Herewardeslonde, within the Manor of Frankley. Witnesses: John de Oldenhulle; Nicholas Haukyns; Nicholas Byngam, and others. Dat. Frankley, S. aft. F. of Epiphany [6 Jan.], 7 Edw. III [1334]. Lat.

100. GRANT from John, son of John del Clyf de Wodebromewich [in Castle Bromwich] to Alice, widow of Richard de Weston, of Coventry, and John her son, of the tenement which he holds by grant from Walter, chaplain of Old Swinford, and William Lekyng, in Halesowen. Witnesses: Richard le Deystere, of Hales; John le Deyster; John de Werueleye, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Sat. F. of the Ann. of B. V. Mary [25 Mar.], 9 Edw. III [1335]. Lat.

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101. LEASE, for lives, from the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen to John de Weston, of Coventry, and Margery his wife, of all the tenement which Thomas Harald formerly held in Ridgeacre (excepting a marl-pit), with two plots of land in Le Hethcroft de Lappole. Rent, eight shillings. Witnesses: Richard le Deystere, of Hales; William his son; Richard le Henstere, and others. Dat.

Halesowen, Sat. F. of Ann. of B. V. Mary [25 Mar.], 9 Edw. III [1335]. Lat.

102. GRANT from Geoffrey de Caldewe, of Warley, to Philip his son, of a plot of land in Warley called Le Lone, to hold by service of one penny at Michaelmas. Witnesses: Richard de Wyrley; Nicholas de Radewelle; Robert Fraunceys, and others. Dat. Warley, Fr. F. of St. Luke [18 Oct.], 10 Edw III [1336]. Lat.

103. LEASE from Richard Fokerham to Dom. Johanna Boteturt, Domina de Weleye, of the moiety of the Manor of Werueleye [Warley Wigorn] which he acquired as heir of John de Sutton, Dominus de Duddeleye; and grant from the same to the same of the other moiety of the said Manor. Witnesses: Dom. Roger Hillory, Dom. Henry de Bisshebure, Dom. Roger de Aylesbur', Knts.; Clement de Donclent; Eadmund de Haggeleye, and others. Dat. Warley, S. aft. F. of St. Mark [25 Apr.], 11 Edw. III [1337]. Lat. With seal.

104. QUIT-CLAIM from Richard Fokerham, son of Dom. William Fokerham, Knt., to the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen, of the Manor of Warley. Witnesses: Dom. Roger Hillary, Roger de Aylesbury, Knts.; Richard Frebody; Thomas Purfrey, and others. Dat. Warley, M. aft. F. of St. Peter ad vincula [1 Aug.], 11 Edw. III [1337]. Lat. With seal.

105. COUNTERPART of GRANT from the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen to Richard Fokerham, of the Manor of Werueleye [Warley], co. Worc., to hold in as full a manner as the Abbey held it from Dom. Joan Botetourt, Domina de Weleye, by service of a rose on F. of St. John Bapt. [24 June]. Dat. Warley, S. aft. F. of the Assumption of the B. V. Mary [15 Aug.], 11 Edw. III [1337]. Lat. With seal.

106. QUIT-CLAIM from John de Sutton, Dominus de Duddeleye, son of Dom. John de Sutton, Knt., to the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen, of the Manor of Werueleye [Warley, co. Worc.], in return for which the Convent grants to the said John full participation in their prayers and spiritual benefits, fastings, vigils, disciplines, alms, psalms and masses, and that when he dies the same benefits, etc., shall be his as for an Abbot. Dat. Warley, Fr. F. of the Assumption of the B. V. Mary [15 Aug.], 11 Edw. III [1337]. Lat. With seal of arms.

107, 108. GRANT, in duplicate, from Geoffrey de Caldewalle to John his son and to Amice his wife, of a messuage in Ruggeacre in the fee of Werueley [Ridgeacre in Warley Wigorn], with reversion to Philip, son of the said Geoffrey. Rent, four shillings, payable to Richard de Fulkerham, Dominus de Werueley. Witnesses: John de Werueley; Richard de Wirley; Thomas Chircheyerd, of Solihull, and others. Dat. Ridgeacre, M. aft. Easter [12 Apr.], 12 Edw. III [1338]. Lat.

109. QUIT-CLAIM from Isabella and Johanna, daughters and co-heirs of John Pikard, son and heir of Hugh Waban, "but commonly called Pikard", to Thomas de Bromleye, "called by some, de Arnleye", and Margaret his wife, of the messuage, commonly called "The More", and a carucate of land, in the vill or fee of Arnleye [Over Arley] in co. Stafford. Witnesses: William de Peortone; Ralph de Enefeld; Philip de Lotteley; Hugh de Solrugge; Henry de Hecston, and others. Dat. Arley, S. aft. F. of St. Dionysius M. [3 Oct.], 12 Edw. III [1338]. With two seals.

110. GRANT from Thomas, son of William de Bromleye, and Margaret his wife, to Thomas Lestrange, of a messuage and carucate of land in Arley, which they hold by lease from John Pykarde. Witnesses: Edmund de Cornwale,

jun., John de Huggeforde, Knts.; Thomas de Aluytheleye; William de Porton; Thomas Conan, and others. Dat. Arley, M. bef. Ann. of B. V. Mary [25 Mar.], 13 Edw. III [1339]. Lat.

111. GRANT from Nicholas, son of Adam de Watecroft, to Stephen Osborne, of Edgebaston, chaplain, of a messuage, croft, etc., in the fee of Frankley, which he formerly held from his father, the said Adam. Witnesses: John Nicholes of Frankley; Thomas de Watecroft; William Ketel; Thomas Staumpes; John de Peppewalle. Dat. Frankley, F. of Decoll. of St. John Bapt. [29 Aug.], 13 Edw. III [1339]. Lat. With seal, broken.

112. GRANT from Richard de Hulle, of Clent, and Juliana his wife, to Alice, widow of Nicholas Byngham and Richard, son of the same Nicholas, of a croft in Frankley lying near Le Oxemor. Witnesses: Thomas le Walsche; John Nicoles; John le Masun; Nicholas Haukyng. Dat. Frankley, F. of St. Michael [29 Sept.], 13 Edw. III [1339]. Lat.

113. GRANT from Stephen Osbarne, of Edgebaston, Chaplain, to Thomas Staumpus, of Frankley, of a messuage, etc., in Frankley, which the said Stephen lately held by grant from Nicholas de Watecroft. Witnesses: John Nicholes; John le Masun; Thomas de Byngeham. Dat. Frankley, S. aft. F. of St. Faith [6 Oct.], 13 Edw. III [1339]. Lat.

114. GRANT from Richard, son of Richard Huggen de Haselbury, of Halesowen, to John Godman, of Halesowen, of four selions of land in Le Heyefeld in Halesowen. Witnesses: William le Kyng; Richard atte Welle; Thomas le Deye, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Sat. F. of St. Mary Magdalen [22 July], 14 Edw. III [1340]. Lat.

115. QUIT-CLAIM from William de la Berewe, of Frankley, to Dom. Adam de Herwynton, clerk, of all his lands and tenements "de la Berewe" [Berrow], and also in the vill of Frankley. Witnesses: Dom. Robert de Alureston, Dom. Roger de la Felde, Dom. William le Walsh, clerks, and others. Dat. Harvington, Wed. aft. F. of St. Peter ad vincula [1 Aug.], 14 Edw. III [1340]. Lat.

116. QUIT-CLAIM from William de la Berewe de Frankeleye to Dom. Adam de Herewynton, clerk, of all the lands which the latter holds from him in Frankley. Witnesses: John de Oldehulle; John Nicoles; William Kaunt, and others. Dat. Frankley, Th. aft. F. of the Ann. of the B. V. Mary [25 Mar.], 15 Edw. III [1341]. Lat.

117. GRANT from Nicholas de Hodebache de Catteshulle [Catshill, in Bromsgrove] to Henry le Chapmon, of Bromsgrove, of five selions of land in Schepeleye field, extending from Le Palmaresrudynge to Henry de Pendeford's land [in Catshill]. Witnesses: Henry de Pendeford; John othe Hulle; John Lof, and others. Dat. Catshill, S. aft. F. of St. Matthew [21 Sept.], 16 Edw. III [1342]. Lat.

118. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas le Meleward, of Frankley, to Thomas de Dernewelle de Wrodenhale of the messuage and lands at Frankley which the latter holds by grant from the former. Witnesses: John de Oldenhull; John Nicholes, of Frankley; Richard Le Cokes, and others. Dat. Frankley, Sat. aft. F. of St. Martin [11 Nov.], 16 Edw. III [1342]. Lat. With seal.

119. QUIT-CLAIM from Henry, son of Thomas Gardyng, to Robert le Bere, of Cradley, of that burgage or messuage, with buildings, etc., which the said Robert purchased at various times from Thomas Gardyng, his father, in Halesowen. Witnesses: William le Deystere; William le Kyng;

Thomas atte Pole, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Fr. F. of St. Nicholas [6 Dec.], 16 Edw. III [1342]. Lat. With seal.

120. GRANT from Robert le Bere de Cradeley to Henry le Bere, his son, of a burgage, with houses and cottages, which he acquired by grant from Thomas Gardin, in Halesowen. Witnesses: William le Deyster; William le Kyng; Thomas atte Pole, and others. Dat. Halesowen, W. aft. F. of St. Hilary [13 Jan.], 16 Edw. III [1343]. Lat. With seal.

121. QUIT-CLAIM from John de Herthull to John de Dunclent of all his fishponds in Broome [Broom, co. Staff.]. Dat. Fr. aft. Conv. of St. Paul [25 Jan.], 17 Edw. III [1343]. Lat. With fragment of seal.

122. LEASE, for six years, from the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen to John de Walloxhale, of Halesowen, of their grange of Blakeleye [? in Halesowen], with certain conditions as to repair of buildings, carriage of straw, and of water from the R. Stour, etc. Dat. Halesowen, W. aft. F. of Pur. of B. V. Mary [2 Feb.], 17 Edw. III [1343]. Lat. With seal.

123. GRANT from William le Deystere, of Halesowen, to Richard, son of Edmund le Taillour, of Halesowen, and Margery his wife, of a certain piece of his toft [in Halesowen], for the improvement of the messuage of the said Richard and Margery. Witnesses: William le Kyng; John de Waleshale; Thomas le Deye, and others. Dat. Halesowen, T. aft. F. of St. Ambrose [4 Apr.], 17 Edw. III [1343]. Lat.

124. GRANT from Agnes, dau. of William le Meleward, of Frankley, to Thomas de Dernewell, of a building, with croft adjacent, in Frankley. Witnesses: John atte Olden-

hull; John Nicholes; John le Masoun, and others. Dat. Frankley, Sat. F. of All Saints [1 Nov.], 17 Edw. III [1343]. Lat. With seal, broken.

125. GRANT from Richard atte Welle, of Halesowen, to Thomas de Notwyk, miller, of seven selions of land, with one "hauedlond" [headland] in Halesowen, lying in the field called Whiteleyefeld. Witnesses: William le Deystere; William le Kyng; Milo le Barkere, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Th. F. of Circumcision [1 Jan.], 17 Edw. III [1344]. Lat.

126. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas,[1] son of Nicholas de Frankeleye, to Adam de Herwyntone, clerk, and John de Graftone, of the manor and vill of Frankley. Witnesses: Dom. William Corbet, and Dom. John le Blount, Knts.; Hugh de Cokeseye; Edmund Fitzwaryn, and others. Dat. Bromsgrove, Sun. F. of St. Peter in cathedra [22 Feb.], 18 Edw. III [1344]. Lat.

127. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas, son of Nicholas de Fraunkeleye, to Dom. Adam de Herwyntone, clerk, and John de Graftone, of the manor of Fraunkaleye [Frankley]. Witnesses: Dom. William Corbet, Dom. John le Blount, Knts.; Hugh de Cokesseye; Roger de Bysshopusdon; Richard de Clodeshale; Edmund Fitzwaryn, and others. Dat. Bromsgrove, Sun. F. of St. Peter in cathedra [22 Feb.], 18 Edw. III [1344]. Lat. With seal of arms.

128, 129. GRANT, in duplicate, from Adam de Herwyntone, clerk, to Peter de Wasseburne, of that messuage and lands which the said Adam holds by grant from William atte Berewe in Frankley; with the reversion of the lands which Margaret, widow of Richard de Bikerton, holds for her life by lease from the said William. Witnesses: Master

[1] See above, Nos. 80, 81.

William de Herwynton; Master William de Stodleye; Dom. Robert de Alureston, and others. Dat. Hereford, W. aft. F. of St. Oswald, Bp. [28 Feb.], 18 Edw. III [1344], Lat.

130. GRANT from Adam de Herwynton, clerk, to Peter de Wasseburne, of seven pence annual rent from the tenement which William Bercarius once held in Frankley. Witnesses: Master William de Herwynton; Dom. Robert de Alureston; Dom. Roger de la Felde; Adam le Butiller and others. Dat. Herwynton [Harvington], Wed. aft. F. of St. Benedict [21 Mar.], 18 Edw. III [1344]. Lat.

131. GRANT from Adam, son of William de Herwynton. Dominus de Fraunkeleye, to Roger Saundres, of a plot of land called Whickeweye, in Frankley, in exchange for a plot in the field called Wetecroft, between the King's highway leading to Birmingham and the said Adam's land in Frankley. Witnesses: Richard de Bykerton; Richard de Haukeslowe; William de Northfeld; John de Middelton; Adam de Whatecroft. Early Edw. III. Lat. With seal.

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132. GRANT from Randulph le Barker, of Halesowen, to Alice his daughter, of the nine selions of land in Halesowen, in the field called Le Heyefeld, which he acquired by grant from Richard le Deyster.[1] Witnesses: William le Deyster; Thomas de Harborugh; William le Kyng; Adam de Ruyton, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Whitsun Monday [16 May], 19 Edw. III [1345]. Lat. With seal.

133. GRANT from Alice, widow of Thomas de Haselburi, of Halesowen, to Thomas le Deye, of Halesowen, of five selions of land in Halesowen, in Le Hyefeld at Pendelston, paying a silver farthing rent to the chief lord at Michaelmas. Witnesses: William le Deystere; William le Kyng;

[1] Cf. No. 63.

Richard de Ruyton, and others. Dat. Halesowen, S. aft. F. of St. Mark [25 Apr.], 20 Edw. III [1346]. Lat.

134. GRANT from Nicholas de Putford, of Bridgenorth, to Dom. John le Longe, of Bridgenorth, chaplain, of a messuage and carucate of land called "La More" in Arnleye [Arley]. Witnesses: Hugh de Mortuo Mari, Knt.; Henry de Mortuo Mari; Thomas Conaunt; Thomas de Aluedeleye; Henry de Hextan. Dat. La More, Fr. F. of Conv. of St. Paul [25 Jan.], 21 Edw. III [1347]. Lat. With seal.

135. GRANT from Alice,[1] widow of John de Waleshale, of Halesowen, to Thomas, son of Roger de Hulle, of a house, etc., and four plots of land in Halesowen, of which two lie in Le Heyefeld and two in the field called Huntyngtre. Witnesses: William le Deyster; Richard de Ruyton; Thomas le Iremongere, and others. Dat. Halesowen, M. aft. F. of the Ascension [10 May], 21 Edw. III [1347]. Lat. With seal.

136. GRANT from Alice,[2] widow of John de Waleshale, of Halesowen, to Thomas de Lappole, chaplain, of two houses with appurtenances in Hales Oweyn [Halesowen], of which one is called Netherbachous and the other Le Barkculne, with sixteen selions of land in Halesowen, of which four lie in Le Merchfeld, three in the field called Halencroft, five in Le Ruyfeld, two in Le Hyefeld, and two in Trowesmarleput. Witnesses: William le Deystere; William le Kyng; Richard de Ruyton; Richard le Iremonger. Dat. Halesowen, T. bef. Nat. of St. John Bapt. [24 June], 21 Edw. III [1347]. Lat. With seal.

137. GRANT from Thomas de Lappole to Thomas, son

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[1] Probably a daughter of Randulph le Barker. Cf. No. 132.

[2] Cf. No. 135.

of Roger de Hulle and Alice his wife,[1] of the same two houses and land in Halesowen. Witnesses: William le Deystere; Richard de Ruyton; Thomas le Deye, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Fr. Octave of SS. Peter and Paul [29 June], 21 Edward III [1347]. Lat. With seal.

138. GRANT from John, son of Thomas de Haselburi, of Halesowen, to John Swan, of Halesowen, of three selions of land in Halesowen, in the field called Le Hyefeld, paying to the chief lord a silver farthing at Michaelmas. Witnesses: William le Deystere; Richard de Ruyton; Thomas le Iremongere. Dat. Halesowen, Sun. F. of St. Martin [11 Nov.], 21 Edw. III [1347]. Lat. With seal.

139. GRANT from Roger, son of John Persevall de Somery, to Symon, son of Robert de Folewode de Toneworth, of all the lands and tenements which the former holds in Northfield; and six shillings and six pence annual rent from the tenements which Anketin de Coventre formerly held in Byrmyngham [Birmingham]. Witnesses: Richard atte Rudyng; Richard de Haukeslowe; John de Middelton, and others. Dat. Northfield, T. aft. F. of St. Cedde [2 March], 23 Edw. III [1349]. Lat.

140. GRANT from Juliana Bondon, of Halesowen, to John Brown, of two plots of land lying in Le Hithefeld [in Halesowen], of which one lies at Le Brodenecros and the other on Boldenehul. Witnesses: William le Kyng; Milo le Barker; Nicholas atte Pole, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Th. bef. F. of St. James [25 July], 23 Edw. III [1349]. Lat.

141. POWER OF ATTORNEY from the same to Thomas Haukyns, of Halesowen, to deliver seisin to John Broun

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[1] Probably the widow of John de Waleshale. Cf. No. 136, etc.

of the same lands. Dat. Halesowen, Th. F. of St. James [25 July], 23 Edw. III [1349]. Lat.

142. GRANT from Robert, son of Edmund, Dominus de Haggeleye, to William de Thomentorn, John le Porter, Walter le Mason, Adam atte Yate, and John le Breustere, of a piece of pasture land called Le Vallyng in Haggeleye [Hagley] (which he holds from Edmund his father, Lord of Hagley), lying between the land of Henry de la Chambre and the King's highway which leads from Hagley towards Halesowen, and between the wood of the Lord of Hagley, and the field of Lodeleye [Lutley] called Shortwod. Witnesses: Richard de Clodeshale; John de Dunclent; John de Herthull, clerk; Robert de la Hurste. Dat. Hagley, Th. aft. F. of St. Laurence [10 Aug.], 23 Edw. III [1349]. Lat. With seal of arms.

143. EXTRACT of Court Roll of the Black Nuns of Brewode [co. Staff.], held at Brome on Wed. aft. F. of St. Benedict [21 Mar.], 24 [Edw. III, 1350], whereby Edmund de Dunclent and Matilda his wife are admitted to lands in Brome [Broom, co. Staff.], sometime held by Nigel de Brome and Thomas le Thaylur, and now surrendered by John de Dunclent, who is admitted to other lands in Dunclent. Lat.

144. QUIT-CLAIM from John Seers, Parson of Graftone-souz-Flavell [Flyford Grafton, co. Worc.], Richard de Douerdale, Parson of Kynton [Kington, co. Worc.], and Richard de Aldeford, Parson of Haddesouere [Hadsor, co. Worc.], to Gilbert Chastelleyn, of the manor of Frankley, which they hold from John de Grafton, son and heir of John de Grafton. Witnesses: Thomas Cassy; Roger de Brugge; Esmon de Brugge; John Colemon, of Inkberrow, and others. Dat. Hadsor, Fr. bef. F. of St. George [23 Apr.], 24 Edw. III [1350]. Fr. With seal and two fragments.

145. QUIT-CLAIM from John Bottourt, Dominus de Weleye, to Gilbert Chastelleyn, Knt., of fourteen shillings and eight pence, annual rent, from the lands in Northfield which were Roger le Somery's, and are called Bromewychestude. Witnesses: Fulk de Byrmyngham, Roger de Aylesbury, Knts.; Geoffrey de Colleye, and others. Dat. Weoley Castle, M. bef. F. of the Nativity of the B. V. Mary [8 Sep.], 24 Edw. III [1350]. Lat. With fine seal of arms.

146. LEASE, for lives, from Joan, widow of John de Bastenhale, to Edmund de Dunclent and Matilda his wife, of the advowson of the Church of St. James, Churchill, and sixty shillings and eight pence, annual rent, which she acquired from John Drugel, the rent being payable by the heirs and assigns of John de Melforde, in Churchill. Witnesses: William de Eyton; John de Mildentre; Thomas de Wytenhull; Richard in-the-Putte. Dat. Churchill, F. of St. Katharine [25 Nov.], 24 Edw. III [1350]. Lat. With seal, broken.

147. FINE levied in the King's Court at Westminster, in Hilary Term, 24 Edw. III [1351], before John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, Roger Hillary, Richard de Kelleshull, Richard de Wylughby, John de Stonford, and Thomas de Fencotes, justices; whereby Edmund de Haggelegh conveys to John Botetourt, Knt., the manor and advowson of Haggelegh [Hagley], for which conveyance the said Edmund received 100 silver marks. Lat.

148. GRANT from John, son of Clement de Dunclent, to Edmund de Dunclent his brother, and Matilda his wife, of all the lands and tenements which the said John holds in the fee of Brome [Broom], co. Staff., in exchange for the lands which the said Edmund held in Dunclent, Wennerton, and Chaddesley, and for the water-mill of Stone, with curtillage, mill-pool, and island. Witnesses: Henry de Bradeford; Thomas de Bradeford; Richard Prat, and

others. Dat. Broom, Sat. bef. F. of the Annunciation of the B. V. Mary [25 Mar.], 25 Edw. III [1351]. Lat. With seal of arms.

149. GRANT from William Osebern, of Frankley, to William, son of Thomas le Walsshe, of Frankley, of all the lands which the former holds within Frankley Manor, excepting those lands which he holds for life by grant from Dom. Gilbert le Chasteleyn, Dominus de Fraunkelee, Knt. Witnesses: Thomas Nichol; Simon Haukis; William le Curtiler; Ralph le Whelwhrete, and others. Dat. Frankley, Fr. bef. Nat. of St. John Bapt. [24 June], 26 Edw. III [1352]. Lat.

150. GRANT from Thomas de Fokerham, son of William de Fokerham, Knt., to Johanna his daughter, of twenty shillings, annual rent, due from Richard de Wyrleye, and his tenement in Ridgeacre and Warley, with the reversion of the same on the said Richard's death. Witnesses: Dom. William de Conyggeby, Knt.; Edmund Donklent; John de Gloucestre, and others. Dat. Warley, Wed. bef. F. of St. Katharine [25 Nov.], 26 Edw. III [1352]. Lat. With seal.

151. GRANT from Joan, dau. of Thomas de Fokerham, to Thomas de Fokerham her father, and Christina his wife, for their lives, of all the lands and tenements which the said Johanna holds in Ridgeacre and Warley which were Richard de Wyrleye's, to hold by service of a rose at Midsummer. Witnesses: Dom. William de Conyggesby, Knt.; Edmund Donklent; John de Haselburi, and others. Dat. Warley, Whitsunday [12 May], 27 Edw. III [1353]. Lat.

152. GRANT from Margery, widow of Edmund le Tayllour, of Halesowen, to Thomas le Wayte, of Halesowen, of lands in Halesowen. Witnesses: William le Kyng; William de Haselbure; Milo le Barker, and others. Dat.

Halesowen, Th. aft. F. of Pur. of B. V. Mary [2 Feb.], 28 Edw. III [1354]. Lat.

153. QUIT-CLAIM from Margery le Bedeles and Alice le Bedeles, daughters of Agnes le Bedeles, to Henry le Barkere de Hales Hueweyn [Halesowen], of the tenement which Matilda le Bedeles formerly held in the vill of Hulle [Hill, in Halesowen]. Witnesses: Robert Noreys, of Evesham; John Noreys, of Evesham; John de Wyrcestre. Dat. Evesham, Fr. bef. F. of St. Gregory [12 Mar.], 28 Edw. III [1354]. Lat.

154. GRANT from Gilbert Chasteleyn and Margaret his wife, to John de Bello Campo de Warrewyk, Knt., of the manor of Frankley, two carucates of land, four acres of meadow, and three acres of wood in Northfield and Frankley, with the water-mill in Northfield. Witnesses: Dom. John de Buttetourte, Dominus de Woelegh, Dom. John de Suttone, Dominus de Duddelegh, Knts.; Roger Blauncfrount; Richard ate Rudynge. Dat. Frankley, Mor. of Holy Trinity [8 June], 28 Edw. III [1354]. Lat. With fragments of two seals.

155. GRANT from Thomas de Luytelhay, of West Bromwich, to John de Caldwall and Alice his wife, of the lands and tenements which he holds by feoffment from the said John in Werueleye [Warley]. Witnesses: William Kyng, of Halesowen; Philip de Caldewall; John atte Halle, and others. Dat. Warley, Sat. aft. F. of St. Martin [11 Nov.], 30 Edw. III [1356]. Lat.

156. GRANT from Roger, son of Hugh de Wyre, to Richard de Wyre his son, and the heirs of his body, of all his lands in Arleghe [Arley] called "More vel Woddus, alias Pykaslonde", with remainder, on failure of issue, to Richard, brother of the grantor, John his brother, Juliana and Margaret his sister, in succession; on condition that

no one of them dispose of nor alienate any parcel of the said land "a sanguine mei, usque in diem judicii". Witnesses: Edmund de Cornewale, Hugh de Mortuo Mari, Knts.; John Rondulfe, of Bridgenorth, and others. Dat. Arley, F. of St. John Bapt. [24 June], 31 Edw. III [1357]. Lat. With seal of arms.

157. GRANT from Joan, dau. of Thomas de Fokerham, to John de Kaldewall and Alice his wife, of all the lands, etc., which she acquired by feoffment of Thomas de Fokerham, her father, in Warley; with remainder, on failure of issue, to Philip, brother of the said John. Rent, ten shillings, payable at Stocton, etc. Witnesses: Thomas de Hauleye; Roger de Hull; Thomas de Totteley. Dat. Stockton, Th. bef. F. of St. Michael [29 Sept.], 31 Edw. III [1357]. Lat. With seal.

158. POWER OF ATTORNEY for livery of the same. Same date. Lat. With seal.

159. FINE levied in the King's Court at Westminster in Hilary Term, 33 Edw. III [1360], whereby Thomas Shyrref, parson of the church of Sheldesleye [Great Shelsley, co. Worc.], and Henry de Haukeford, chaplain, convey to John Buttetourt, of Weoley, Knt., the Castle of Weoley and the manors of Northfeld, Cradeleye, Haggeleye, and Olde Swyneford [Northfield, Cradley, Hagley, and Old Swinford], with the advowsons of Hagley and Old Swinford. Lat.

160. QUIT-CLAIM from Cecilia Shep, dau. of the late John Shep de Haukebache, to John Wattesone, of the same, of the tenement in Haukebach [in Arley, co. Staff.] which was her father's. Witnesses: Adam de la Hulle; William Hecstone; Richard le Wereward, and others. Dat. Haukebach, Mon. F. of St. Edmund, Bp. [16 Nov.], 34 Edw. III [1360]. Lat.

161. GRANT from Christina, relict of John le Breustere, of Halesowen, to John Haukys, of Halesowen, of a messuage in Halesoweyn [Halesowen] lying between the tenements of John Bi-the-herth and of John Atte Broke. Witnesses: William le Kyng; Thomas Deye; William de Haselbure, and others. Dat. Hales, Fr. F. of Tr. of St. Oswald [15 Oct.], 35 Edw. III [1361]. Lat.

162. QUIT-CLAIM from the same to the same, of the same messuage, etc., in Halesowen. Witnesses: William de Haselburi; Thomas le Deye; Walter Milus, and others. Dat. Hales, Fr. F. of the Tr. of St. Oswald [15 Oct.], 35 Edw. III [1361]. Lat.

163. RENEWAL of the grant specified in Ch. 156, with the same provisoes. Witnesses: John Herwode; Henry de Hexton; Thomas Conan; Henry Gernes; William Selmon. Dat. Arley, F. of St. John Bapt. [24 June], 35 Edw. III [1361]. Lat.

164. QUIT-CLAIM from Margery le Masoun, dau. of John le Masoun, of Frankley, to John de Leycestre, of Frankley, of all her father's lands, etc., in Frankley. Witnesses: Thomas Nicholes; Thomas de Pepewall; John Cok, and others. Dat. Frankley, Fr. aft. F. of All Saints [1 Nov.], 35 Edw. III [1361]. Lat.

165. GRANT from John atte Oldenhulle and Margery his wife, to Robert Balle, of all the lands, etc., which they held by feoffment of William de Dernewelle, chaplain, and once belonged to John atte Oldenhulle, in Frankley. Witnesses: John Botetourt, Knt., Baron de Weoley; Richard de Haukeslowe; Thomas Nicolas, of Frankley. Dat. Oldenhull [Oldhill], S. aft. F. of St. Edmund, K. and M. [20 Nov.], 35 Edw. III [1361]. Lat. With seal.

166. GRANT from John de Caldewalle, of Ridgeacre, to

Thomas Wayte, of Halesowen, of all lands, etc., which the said John holds in Coutheleslond, in the fee of Warley, namely, lands called le Walmes and Nedduraker, to hold by service of a white rose at Midsummer. Witnesses: Richard de Wirleye; Richard de Baresfen; William Smyth, of Warley. Dat. Warley, S. aft. F. of St. Hilary [13 Jan.], 35 Edw. III [1362]. Lat. With seal.

167. GRANT from John de Caldewalle, of Ridgeacre, to Thomas Wayte, of Halesowen, of all the goods and chattels in a messuage and lands which he had already granted to the said Thomas in Werueleye [Warley]. Witnesses: Richard de Wirley; John atte Halle; Henry de Towenhale, and others. Dat. Warley, S. aft. F. of St. Hilary [13 Jan.], 35 Edward III [1362]. Lat. With seal.

168. LEASE, for his life, from Thomas Wayte, of Halesowen, to John de Caldewall, of Ridgeacre, of a messuage and all the lands which the said Thomas acquired by feoffment from the said John in the fee of Warley; excepting five plots of land called Le Walmes, Kittelond, Nedduraker, Fremonnesfeld, and Le Brodemedewe, and fifteen selions of land, of which nine lie in Caldewallefeld and six lie in Rugacrefeld. Rent, a white rose at Midsummer. Witnesses: Richard de Wirleye; Richard de Baresfen; William le Smyth, of Warley. Dat. Warley, W. aft. F. of Conv. of St. Paul [25 Jan.], 36 Edw. III [1362]. Lat. With seal.

169. GRANT from Henry, son and heir of Henry Aylward, of Arley, to Richard le Synekar, of Arley, of a cottage within the fee of Arley, with land adjacent, stretching from the King's highway leading from the Severn towards Eymore Park. Witnesses: John de Wytenhull; Henry le Gerous; Roger Holewey; Richard le Wereward. Dat. Arley, S. aft. F. of St. Michael [29 Sept.], 36 Edw. III [1362]. Lat.

170. MORTGAGE from Thomas Wayte, of Halesowen, to John de Caldewalle, of Ridgeacre, of an annual rent of one hundred shillings from lands and tenements in the fee of Warley. Witnesses: Richard de Wirleye; Richard de Baresfen; John atte Halle de Werueleye. Dat. Warley, M. aft. F. of St. Agnes [21 Jan.], 36 Edw. III [1363], Fr. With seal.

171. GRANT from Thomas le Wayte, of Halesowen, to Joan, relict of John de Weruelege, "quondam junior", and Richard her son, of a tenement [in Hales]. Witnesses: William Kyng, of Hales; Thomas Deye; John Broun, and others. Dat. Hales, S. aft. F. of St. Valentine [14 Feb.], 38 Edw. III [1364]. Lat. With fragment of seal.

172. COVENANT whereby Philip de Luttelye agrees to perform homage and services to John Bottourt, Seigneur de Welegh, for the manor of Luttelye [Lutley, co. Worc.], as belonging to Hagley Manor, in return for which the latter grants to the said Philip peaceable possession of the lands which he holds from the said Phillip in Wolaston and Bettecote [Bedcote], in the manor of Old Swinford. Witnesses: Edmund de Brugge; Henry le Bruyn; Thomas atte Lowe. Dat. Weoley, S. bef. F. of the Assumption of the B. V. Mary [15 Aug.], 39 Edw. III [1365]. Fr. With seal of arms.

173. RELEASE from Thomas de Oldenhull to Thomas Nikols, of Frankley, of the lands and tenements which were sometime his sister Sybil's in the vill of Frankley, called Le Mortismerlonde, Le Gunlond, and Blakuene. Witnesses: William de Colmor; Simon Hauke; John Kookke. Dat. Frankley, Fr. bef. Whitsunday [6 Jun.], 41 Edw. III [1367]. Lat.

174. GRANT from John Bottetourt, Dominus de Weleye, to Henry de Hambury and Elizabeth his wife, of a plot of

waste land in his manor of Haggeleye [Hagley], extending from the road which leads from Hardebarewe [Harberrow, by Churchill] towards Kidderminster and the fishpond of Henry de Bradeforde; with permission to make a fishpond on the said waste ground, at the pleasure of the said Henry and Elizabeth; to hold by service of four capons at Michaelmas. Witnesses: Henry le Bruyn; Henry de Bradeforde; William ate Schete, and others. Dat. Belbroughton, S. aft. F. of SS. Peter and Paul [29 June] 41 Edw. III [1367]. Lat.

175. GRANT from Nicholas atte Poole, of Halesowen, to Nicholas Curteys, of Halesowen, of four selions of land in Le Heythefeld, in Halesowen. Witnesses: William de Hasulbury; William le Tournour; William de Adenbrok, and others. Dat. Halesowen, S. aft. F. of St. James [25 July], 41 Edw. III [1367]. Lat.

176. GRANT from John Buttetourth, Knt., Dominus de Weolegh, to William atte Luyde, of a plot of land with buildings, etc., called Le Beroplas, in Halesowen, lying in a corner opposite the bridge called Le Wytepole, between the curtillage of Richard le Deyster at Lydgate and the King's highway leading from the said bridge towards the market-place, etc. Witnesses: William Kynge, of Hales; William de Hasilbyre; John atte Luyde de Roulegh, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Th. aft. F. of St. Lucy [13 Dec.], 41 Edw. III [1367]. Lat. With fine impression of seal of arms, chipped.

177. POWER OF ATTORNEY from the same for livery to the same, by William Kynge, of the same land which fell to the said John on the death of his mother Johanna [de Buttetourt]. Dat. Weoley Castle, Fr. aft. F. of St. Lucy [13 Dec.], 41 Edw. III [1367]. Lat. With fine impression of seal, chipped.

178. QUIT-CLAIM from John Maryn de Broome [Broom, co. Staff.] to John, son of Edmund de Dunclent, Dominus de Chirchehull, of a messuage and half-virgate of land in Chirchehull [Churchill], which were formerly Thomas Blacberd's. Witnesses: Thomas de Dunclent; Nicholas de Seggesleye; Richard, son of Roger de Wennorton; Edmund de Penne. Dat. Churchill, M. aft. F. of Purif. of B. V. Mary [2 Feb.], 42 Edw. III [1368]. Lat. With seal.

179. GRANT from John de Dunclent, Dominus de Dunclent, to John de Dunclent, son of Edmund de Dunclent, and Alice his wife, of six shillingsworth of annual rent from the mill of Churchill, which Clement de Dunclent, the grantor's father, held by grant from John de Melford, formerly lord of Chirchill. Witnesses: John le Smyth de Brome; Edmund de Penne; Richard in-the-Putte. Dat. Dunclent, S. after F. of St. Matthias [24 Feb.], 42 Edw. III [1368]. Lat. With seal of arms.

180. GRANT from John, son of Andrew de la Lone, of Wolverhampton, to Philip de Lutteley, of all his lands at La Lee in the fee of Aluetheleye [Alveley, co. Salop], with houses, gardens, woods, waters, fishponds, etc. Witnesses: Thomas atte Lowe; John in-le-Putte; Thomas le Fillilod; John othe Grene, and others. Dat. Alveley, Th. F. of Corpus Christi [8 June], 42 Edw. III [1368]. Lat With seal of arms.

181. GRANT from John o' the Grene de Rugeacre, to Henry o' the Grene, of various lands in Rugeacre [Ridgeacre] between the land of Thomas Wayte and the lane called Le Fennylone, with twenty-three selions of land in the same vill lying in Caldwellesfeld, etc. Witnesses; Richard de Baresfen; William le Smyth; Robert Trappe. Dat. Ridgeacre, Sat. F. of St. Mary Magdalen [22 July], 42 Edw. III [1368]. With seal.

182. GRANT from William Rowalle and Johanna his wife, dau. of Thomas de Fokerham, to Thomas le Wayte, of Northfield, of ten shillings annual rent from lands in the manor of Warley, called Couthoullond, which John de Caldewalle and Alice his wife hold. Witnesses: Thomas Nycols; Richard Barisfen; William le Smyth, of Warley; John de Wheleye; John de Brochele. Dat. Warley, Sun. F. of St. Mary Magdalen [22 July], 40 Edw. III [1369]. Lat. With two seals.

183. LEASE for sixty years from Richard de Hampton, Abbot of Halesowen, and the Convent, to John atte Holt de Hulton, of a plot of land called Le Wooforlong, between the plots called Hondyyeshelde and Le Deysterescroft, in the manor of Halesowen. Rent, eighteen pence. Witnesses: William Colesone, of Walsall, seneschal of the Abbey; Dom. Richard Aldeforde, chaplain; John de Ruyshale, clerk. Dat. T. aft. F. of St. Michael [29 Sept.], 1369. Lat.

Colsone

184. GRANT from William in-le-Moor de Lappole to John Brown, of Halesowen, of five selions of land in Halesowen, in a field called Le Heythefeld. Witnesses: William de Hasulbury; William Hamond; Walter Mylus, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Mor. of F. of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.], 43 Edw. III [1369]. Lat. With seal.

185. GRANT from John, son of John de Gloucestre, of Halesowen, jun., to John Brown, of Halesowen, of six selions of land in Halesowen, in Whyteleyfeld. Witnesses: William de Hasulbury; William Hamond; William le Turnour, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Mor. of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.], 43 Edw. III [1369]. Lat. With seal.

186. EXEMPTION by John Buttetourt, Knt., Dominus de Welegh et de Haggeleye, of Philip, son of Roger atte Grove de Haggeleye, from a certain custom observed by all

tenants within Hagley manor, called Beolawe and Bodelselver, namely, the payment to the lord of the manor of two shillings or one sheep. Dat. Weoley, S. aft. F. of SS. Peter and Paul [29 June], 44 Edw. III [1370]. Lat. With fine impression of seal.

187. GRANT from Joan, dau. of Thomas de Fokerham, widow, to Thomas le Wayte, of Northfield, of ten shillings annual rent from lands and tenements within the manor of Warley, called Couthoullond, which John de Caldewelle and Alice his wife hold. Witnesses: Richard de Clodeshal, Dominus de Salutely; John Warde, of Bromwich; Thomas Nicols, and others. Dat. Warley, M. aft. F. of St. Lucy [13 Dec], 44 Edw. III [1370]. Lat. With seal.

188. POWER OF ATTORNEY from the same to the same, to receive from John de Caldewelle and Alice his wife, annually during the said Joan's life, ten shillings rent for the same lands in Warley, and to enter the said lands in case of non-payment of the rent. Witnesses: Persevall le Walshe; Thomas le Walshe; Thomas Salemon, and others. Dat. Stocton, M. aft. F. of St. Lucy [13 Dec.], 44 Edw. III [1370]. Lat. With seal of arms.

189. GRANT from John Carlas de Mughale, chaplain, and John atte Holt de Hulton, to Christiana, widow of Richard de Patelston, of a plot of land with buildings upon it in Halysoweyn [Halesowen], and five "butts" of land lying in the field called Le Heythefeld, in the same place. Witnesses: William de Adenbrok; William de Hasulbury; Robert atte Broke; William Hamond. Dat. Halesowen, Sat. F. of St. Cedde, Bp. [7 Jan.], 44 Edw. III [1371]. Lat. With two seals.

190. GRANT from William atte Luyde de Cradeley to John de Adenbrok de Rouley [Rowley Regis, co. Staff.], of a plot of land with buildings in Halysoweyn [Hales-

owen], near the highway which leads towards Gachardusgate and the highway which leads towards Cornbowe. Witnesses: John Broun; William Hamond; Robert Wayte, and others. Dat. Halesowen, W. aft. F. of St. Gregory [12 Mar.], 45 Edw. III [1371]. Lat. With seal.

191. GRANT from Thomas Necholus, of Frankley, to William de Newell, chaplain, Richard Alisaundre, Richard Cordewon, John, son of Richard de Blakedon, and Richard, son of the same Richard, of all the lands and tenements which the said Thomas held by grant from Richard de Bykereston, in the vill of Frankley, in exchange for his land in Welyngwych [Willingwick]. Witnesses: Thomas Poppewell; John Cok; Robert Kok, and others. Dat. Frankley, F. of St. Ambrose [4 Apr.], 45 Edw. III [1371]. Lat.

192. COPY OF RECORD of an inquiry held by the official of the Archdeacon of Stafford (by order of the Bishop), in presence of Robert Parys, Rector of Allerwych [Aldridge, co. Staff.], Richard Wade, Rector of Rideware [Hamstall Ridware, co. Staff.], Walter, Proctor of the Rector of Hounesworth [Handsworth, co. Staff.], Thomas, Chaplain of Bromwich, Proctor of the Rector of Bromwich, William de Yoxhale, Proctor of the Rector of Yoxhale [Yoxall, co. Staff.], and Richard de Melbourne, Vicar of Schenston [Shenstone, co. Staff.]; wherein it is found that the vicarage of Walsall, co. Staff., became vacant about the F. of Tr. of St. Thomas [7 July], on the recall, by the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen, patrons of the living, of Richard, the last vicar "ad claustrum suum pro certa disciplina recipienda pro certis commissis per eum perpetratis", and that William de Stoke, Canon of Halesowen, was duly presented by the patrons, and instituted to the living on xvi Kal. Aug. [17 July] 1371. Lat.

Walter

193. GRANT from William Atewall, son of Thomas

Atewall de Horbourne, to Henry del Grene de Rugeacre, of all the land and tenement which John, son of Henry de Hull, of Hales, sometime held from Richard Fokerham, Dominus de Weuerlegh, in the fee of Warley; to hold by the usual services and "one suit at the Court of the said Richard de Fokerham and his heirs at Warley, namely, his next Court after Easter". Witnesses: John Spynner; William Bayly; Richard Hauker. Dat. Horbourne [Harborne, co. Staff.], Palm Sunday [21 Mar.], 46 Edw. III [1372]. Lat. With seal.

Spynner Horbourne

194. GRANT from Thomas ate Walle and Isabella "uxor dicte [*sic*] Thome de Horbourne", to William ate Walle "our son", of all that land and tenement which John, son of Henry de Hull, of Hales, formerly held from Richard Fokerham, Dominus de Weuerlegh, in the fee of Warley. Witnesses: John Spynner; William Bayly; John Huchonus, and others. Dat. Harbourne, Fr. aft. F. of St. Ambrose [4 Apr.], 46 Edw. III [1372]. Lat. With fragments of two seals.

195. GRANT from Thomas Deythe, of Halesowen, to William Deythe his son, of five selions of arable land lying in Le Heghefeld in Halesowen. Witnesses: John Broun; William Tornor; Richard de Grymmynhul, and others. Dat. Halesowen, W. aft. Oct. of Easter [7 Apr.], 46 Edw. III [1372]. Lat. With seal.

196. NOTARIAL INSTRUMENT by Simon de Halsale, clerk, notary public for the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield, setting forth the appeal and protest of the Abbey and Convent of Halesowen, of their right of appropriation in the Church of Hales with the Chapels of Frankley and Kenelmstowe, the Church of Clent with the Chapel of Rowley, the Church of Walsall with the Chapels of Wednesbury and Rushale, by the agency of Adam Vaus,

their Prior and Proctor, in the Priory Church of St. Bartholomew in Smithfield. Dat. 4 July 1372. Lat.

197. QUIT-CLAIM from Joan, relict of William Rowalle, dau. of Thomas de Fokerham, to Thomas le Wayte, of the reversion of all the lands, etc., in Ridgeacre and Warley, which she holds by grant from her father, and which Thomas Coutholf formerly held, and John de Caldewalle at present holds. Witnesses: Persevall le Walshe; John le Bec; Thomas le Walshe, and others. Dat. Stocton, Fr. aft. F. of St. Peter in Cathedra [22 Feb.], 47 Edw. III [1373]. Lat. With seal.

198. QUIT-CLAIM from Cristina, relict of Thomas Fokerham, to Thomas le Wayte, of all the lands, etc., in Ridgeacre and Werweleye [Warley] which she holds for life by grant from Joan her daughter. Witnesses: John le Walshe; Thomas le Walshe; Persevall le Walshe; John le Bec. Dat. Stocton, Fr. aft. F. of St. Cedde [2 Mar.], 47 Edw. III [1373]. Lat.

199. POWER OF ATTORNEY from the same to Thomas de Harebourch, for livery to the same of all the lands, etc., in Ridgeacre and Warley which the said Cristina holds jointly with Thomas her husband, by lease from Joan her daughter. Dat. Stocton, Fr. aft. F. of St. Gregory [12 Mar.], 47 Edw. III [1373]. Lat.

200. GRANT and RELEASE from Joan, dau. of Thomas de Fokerham, to Thomas le Wayte, of a messuage and lands in Warley which John de Caldewalle and Alice his wife used to hold from her, but which she has taken possession of, on failure of payment of the rent. Witnesses: Persevall le Walshe; Thomas le Walshe; Thomas de Whytenhull. Dat. Stockton [co. Worc.], S. aft. Easter [17 Apr.], 47 Edw. III [1373]. Lat. With seal.

201. GRANT from Helewissa, Prioress, and the Convent of the Black Nuns of Brewood [co. Staff.], to John de Dunclent, son of Edmund de Dunclent, and to Alice his wife, of certain lands and tenements which the Convent had previously leased to John de Dunclent, sen., and Thomas Lyon at Le Redewall, within the manor of Brome [Broom], co. Staff., with fishponds, etc., and an acre of land called Le Weyacre in Belnebrotton [Belbroughton, co. Worc.], (excepting a culture called Horsewall, and the fishponds which John de Herthull held for his life, and which Robert de Dunclent, Parson of the church of Old Swinford, holds for his life), the same to revert to the said John and Alice his wife on the death of the present above-mentioned lessees; to hold by a rent-charge of sixteen shillings and eightpence yearly, in lieu of all services, except foreign services to the Lords of Hagley and of Brian's Bell, in Belbroughton, paying to the said Convent "the best animal that may be found there for a heriot on the deaths of the said John and Alice". Dat. Brewood, Th. aft. F. of St. Mark [25 Apr.], 47 Edw. III [1373]. Lat. With fragment of Priory seal.

202. GRANT from William le Walshe, of Frankley, to Henry Carpenter, of Hasbury, and Alice his wife, of a messuage and croft called Bulkocuscroft, in Frankley, between Synckereslond and the King's highway, and extending from the King's highway opposite Froggemulle up to Nythtegaleforde; together with the moiety of a croft called Collecroft, in Frankley. Witnesses: Richard Fyton, Knt.; Thomas Nicholus; Nicholas Cokus, and others. Dat. Belne [Brian's Bell], Wed. bef. F. of Nat. of St. John Bapt. [24 June], 47 Edw. III [1373]. Lat.

Fytton

203. QUIT-CLAIM from Roger de Wyrleye to Thomas Wayte, of Northfield, of a messuage and lands which were formerly Geoffrey de Caldewalle's, in the fee of Warley.

Dat. Warley, T. bef. F. of St. Valentine [14 Feb.], 49 Edw. III [1375]. Lat. With seal.

204. GRANT from Thomas Wayte, of Northfield, to John de Caldewalle, of Ridgeacre, of an annual rent of eleven shillings, from a messuage and lands which were formerly Geoffrey de Caldewalle's, his father, in Ridgeacre in Warley. Witnesses: Roger de Wyrleye; Roger Godknave, chaplain; Adam le Bailly; Thomas Basset. Dat. Birmingham, Th. aft. F. of St. Valentine [14 Feb.], 49 Edw. III [1375]. Lat.

205. GRANT from William, son of Nicholas Wynshurst, to Dom. John Carles, chaplain, and Philip de Whyteley de Hasulbury [? in Halesowen], of all the lands which were his father's, and which descended to him on the death of Matilda his mother, in the vill of Hales, "excepta quadam camera juxta stabulum". Witnesses: John atte Holt; William Adenbrok; William Hasulbury; William Hamond, and John Broun. Dat. Hales, T. aft. F. of Conc. of B. V. Mary [8 Dec.], 49 Edw. III [1375]. Lat.

206, 207. LEASE and COUNTERPART, for lives, from John, Dominus de Lutteleye, and Roger Stiward, Johanna his wife, and William their son, of all his lands, etc., at La Lee in Aluetheleye [Alveley, co. Salop], the said Roger, Johanna, and William to keep the houses in good repair. Rent, sixteen shillings. Witnesses: John o' the Grene; Thomas de Aluetheleye; John Jonkys, and others. Dat. Aluetheleye [Alveley], S. before Christmas, 49 Edw. III [1375]. Lat.

208. QUIT-CLAIM from Isabella, relict of Thomas atte Walle de Horburne, to Henry de la Grene de Rugacre, of all the lands and tenements in Warley which the said Henry holds by grant from William atte Walle her son. Witnesses: Robert Pynne; William Bayley; Richard de

Longedon, and others. Dat. Warley, Sat. aft. F. of St. Gregory [12 Mar.], 50 Edw. III [1376]. Lat. With seal.

209. QUIT-CLAIM from John de Caldewall and Alice his wife, to John, son of Thomas le Wayte and Alice, relict of the said Thomas, of a tenement in Werueley [Warley], called Couthelleslonde. Witnesses: Thomas Nichols; Walter Miles; John, son of Adam Hogges, and others. Dat. Halesowen, S. aft. F. of Tr. of St. Thomas [7 July], 50 Edw. III [1376]. Lat. With seal.

210. GRANT from Johanna, widow of John de Werueleye, to Dom. Richard Aldeforde, chaplain, of a messuage in the vill of Halys [Halesowen]. Witnesses: John atte Holt; John Broun; Richard Grymenhul, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Th. Mor. of F. of St. Edward the King [18 Mar.], 51 Edw. III [1377]. Lat. With seal.

211. GRANT from Walter Mylis, of Halesowen, to Joan Hawmond, of the same, of eight selions of land in Halesowen, lying in Whiteleyefeld, with two other selions in the same place. Witnesses: John Broun; William de Hasilbury; William Hawmond, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Fr. aft. Nat. of St. John Bapt. [24 June], 51 Edw. III[1] [1377]. Lat. With seal.

212. GRANT from the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen to John Broun, in Halesowen, and Cristina his wife, and heirs, of the reversion of a messuage, called Steynesplace, and lands which Isolda Kyng holds in Lappole [in Halesowen]. Dat. Hales, Wed. aft. F. of Conv. of St. Paul [25 Jan.], 1 Ric. II [1378]. Lat. With seal.

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[1] The King died three days before the date of this charter, namely, on the 21st June. It is probable that the news had not yet reached the locality of Halesowen.

213. GRANT from Thomas Nichols, of Frankley, to John de Couentre, of the same, of a certain plot of land in the fee of Frankley. Witnesses: Simon Hawkyns; William le Walsh; John Staumpes; Edward othe Hull, and others. Dat. Frankley, Wed. aft. F. of the Ann. of the B. V. Mary [25 Mar.], 1 Ric. II [1378]. Lat.

214. GRANT from Richard de Aldeford, chaplain, to William le Mulneward, of Halesowen, of a messuage, etc., in Halesowen. Witnesses: John atte Holte; Richard Grimhull; Robert Wayte, and others. Dat. Halesowen, F. of St. Luke [18 Oct.], 2 Ric. II [1378]. Lat. With seal of arms.

215. GRANT from Roger de Fokerham to Richard Cokkes, William de Wellebek, and Adam de Melley, of five several annual rent-services in Rugacre [Ridgeacre], with a messuage and seven butts of land in the same place. Witnesses: Dom. Richard de Aldeford, chaplain; John atte Holte de Hales; William Hamond, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Fr. bef. F. of St. George [23 Apr.], 3 Ric. II [1380]. Lat. With seal of arms, broken.

216. COPY OF GRANT from William Hasulbury, of Halesowen, to William atte Poole de Halesowen, of three plots of land in the fields within the manor of Halesowen, of which one plot lies in Le Hyefelde and is called Le Stoneacre, another is called Le Parrock, and lies in Hwyteleyfelde, near Locokusoke, and the third lies in the field called Huntyngtre. Witnesses: John atte Holte; John Brown; Thomas Hareborough, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Wed. Mor. of F. of St. George [23 Apr.], 4 Ric. II [1381]. Lat.

[At the foot is a note that the original charter is in the custody of William Lynde, who holds the two plots called Le Parrock, and the plot in Huntyngtre.]

217. POWER OF ATTORNEY from Thomas de Brugge,

Luckwicks Oak

Eschaetor for co. Worcester, to John Slygh, to deliver seisin of a tenement called Oldenhulletenement, in Frankley, to Richard Fyton, Knt., in compliance with an Exchequer Writ, declaring judgment in the said Richard's suit in the Exchequer, dated Easter Term, 5 Ric. II [1382]. Lat. With small seal of arms.

218. LEASE from the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen to Thomas Whatecroft de Horborne, of the moiety of their lands lying in Le Hyevastern field, in Ridgeacre, with eight butts of land there, and the moiety of Le Beorenastern field. Rent, six shillings and eightpence. Witnesses: Richard Cokkes, clerk; Robert Spynnere, of Harborne; John Broun, of Hales. Dat. Halesowen, Sat. aft. F. of St. John a. p. l. [6 May], 5 Ric. II [1382]. Lat. With small seal.

219. GRANT from Richard, son of William Deystere, of Halesowen, to William, son of Richard de Grimenhull, of the same, and Isabella his wife, of the reversion of the messuage and lands which the said Richard de Grimenhull and Agnes his wife hold from him for their lives, within the manor of Hales; together with the two shillings annual rent which the said Richard and Agnes pay for the same. Witnesses: Thomas de Harebourgh; John Hamond; William atte Poole, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Sat. F. of St. Luke [18 Oct.], 6 Ric. II [1382]. Lat. With seal.

220. GRANT from Robert Wayte, of Halesowen, to Richard Grey, of the same, of three selions of land in Le Hyghefeld on Le Redehull [in Halesowen]. Witnesses: John Broun; Richard Cokkes; William Grymenhull, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Vig. of St. John Bapt. [24 June], 7 Ric. II [1383]. Lat. With seal.

221, 222. LEASE and COUNTERPART from Johanna de Hexton to William de Hexton her son, of all her lands and

tenements at Hexton in Arley, excepting nine butts of land in Hauteley, three selions in Le Rudynge, and seven butts in Elthalus; the said William to pay the usual services to the chief lord, and to the said Johanna his mother, two quarters of corn, dry, clean, and well winnowed, and three quarters of oats yearly. The said Johanna to have reserved to her use the principal "camera aule" of the house at Hexton, with free ingress and egress of the same; and to have pasture for one horse and two cows with two calves on the same land. Witnesses: John de Hulle; Roger Holeweye; William Skut, and others. Dat. Arley, Wed. F. of St. Martin [11 Nov.], 7 Ric. II [1383]. Lat.

223. RELEASE from John Bottetourt, Seigneur de Weolegh, to Sire Robert de Rouley, parson of Arwe [Arrow, co. Warw.], and Seigneur de Frankeley, John Slygh, and John de Peyle, executors of Richard Fyton, Knt., of all actions, etc., in respect of the manor of Frankley, Bromwich, and Oldenhull. Dat. Weoley Castle, S. F. of St. Cecilia [22 Nov.], 7 Ric. II [1383]. Fr. With fine impression of seal of arms.

224. GRANT from John de Hexton to William de Hexton his son, of the reversion of the land in Arley, called Sylvestres, which John atte Brok and Matilda his wife hold on lease for their lives. Witnesses: Roger Holeye; Richard Wereward; William Skut, and others. Dat. Arley, Sun. F. of St. Nicholas [6 Dec.], 7 Ric. II [1383]. Lat. With seal.

225. RELEASE by Johanna, widow of Richard Fyton, Knt., to William de Spernore, of all her right of dower, etc., in Frankley Manor. Dat. Worcester, T. bef. F. of Exalt. of Holy Cross [14 Sept.], 8 Ric. II [1384]. Lat. With seal of arms.

226. GRANT from Thomas Nicoles, of Frankley, to Roger atte Leghe, of Northfield, drapour, of all his lands,

rents, services, mills, pools, etc., in the fees of Frankley and Willyngewyke [Willingwick]. Witnesses: John Slegh; Richard Sterns; Thomas Whatecroft, and others. Dat. Frankley, Fr. bef. Nat. of St. John Bapt. [24 June]. 9 Ric. II [1385]. Lat.

227. QUIT-CLAIM from William de Caldewell, of Ridgeacre, to John le Wayte, of a messuage with houses upon it; and all those lands which the latter holds in the fee of Warley which were formerly John de Caldewell's. Witnesses: Thomas Nichols; John Broun; Robert Hamond. Dat. Warley, Sun. F. of St. Katharine [25 Nov.], 10 Ric. II [1386]. Lat. With seal.

228. DEFEASANCE OF GRANT from Thomas le Wayte, of Northfield, to William de Caldewell, of Ridgeacre, of lands in Ridgeacre lying between the field called Caldewellefeld and the road which extends from the tenements of the said John towards the tenements which lately belonged to Richard o' the Grene. Witnesses: John de Adenbrok, of Rowley; William de Adenbrok, of the same; John Broun, of Hales. Dat. Ridgeacre, Sat. Mor. of St. Andrew [30 Nov.], 10 Ric. II [1386]. Fr. With seal.

229. GRANT from Agnes, relict of William le Walsch, of Bromsgrove, to William Penne, of the same, and Alice his wife, of a curtillage within the manor of Bremesgrave [Bromsgrove], extending from the curtillage of Ranulph Stafford, Dominus de Grafton, to the King's highway leading from Bromsgrove towards Burmychan [Birmingham]. Witnesses: John Hambury, sen.; John Hambury, jun.; John Wylkenes, and others. Dat. Bromsgrove, S. aft. F. of Purif. of B. V. Mary [2 Feb.], 10 Ric. II [1387]. Lat.

230. GENERAL RELEASE from Thomas Nicholas, of Frankley, to Roger at-Lye. Dat. Bromsgrove, Tu. aft. F. of All Saints [1 Nov.], 12 Ric. II [1388]. Lat.

231. GRANT from John Hamond, of Halesowen, and Robert atte Halle de Hulle, to John Grafton, of Halesowen, and Agnes his wife, of all the lands and tenements which the said John and Robert acquired by gift and bequest from John Haukys, within the borough of Hales, and outside the borough. Witnesses: Richard Cokkes; Walter Wotton; John Sadeler, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Sat. aft. F. of St. Agatha [5 Feb.], 16 Ric. II [1393]. Lat. With two seals.

232. GRANT from Thomas atte Broke, of Claverley, to Thomas de Farnekote, Rector of Neenton [co. Salop.], of an annual rent of six shillings and eight pence from lands within the manor of Claverley [co. Salop], with power of distraint, etc. Witnesses: Thomas, Dominus de Gatacre; Richard Knotte; John de Gravenore, and others. Dat. Claverley, Sat. F. of All Saints [1 Nov.], 17 Ric. II [1393]. Lat.

233. LEASE from John Hexton and Isabella his wife to William Hexston his father, and Johanna his wife, of an annual rent of three quarters of corn and three quarters of oats, with six shillings and eightpence from lands and tenements in Arley. Witnesses: John Hampton; John Whorowode; Richard Werewarde. Dat. Arley, Fr. aft. F. of St. Leonard [6 Nov.], 17 Ric. II [1393]. Lat. With two seals.

234. GRANT from John Watsone, of Hawkebache, to Dom. William Hull, chaplain, and John Hull, son of Adam Hull, of Arley, of a messuage, etc., in Hawkebache [in Over Arley], which Walter Tybesone formerly held, and the messuage called Schepus, which John Schepes held, and a croft called Buystus. Witnesses: John Heggeston; Henry Churcheyart; Thomas Wernwart; Richard Haywart, and others. Dat. Arley, F. of St. Cedde, Bp. [2 Mar.], 17 Ric. II [1394]. Lat. With seal.

235. GRANT from Roger Cook, of Warley, to John Wayte, of Northfield, and Henry Haukere, of Horbourne, of all his lands and tenements in Warley. Witnesses: John Baker; Richard Warde; Richard Feys, and others. Dat. Warley, M. aft. F. of St. Barnabas [11 June], 18 Ric. II [1395]. Lat. With seal.

236. GRANT from John Wayte, of Northfield, to William Fremon, Chaplain of Hales, John Moorton, Chaplain of Norton, and Thomas Abel, of Castle Bromwich, Chaplain, of a messuage and all the lands which the said John holds in Werueleye [Warley]. Witnesses: Thomas Whatecroft; William Caldewelle; John Kembersley, and others. Dat. Warley, Sat. F. of St. Hillary [13 Jan.], 20 Ric. II [1397]. Lat. With seal.

237. GRANT from John de Dunclent, son and heir of Edmund de Dunclent, to William Pygun, citizen of Worcester, of all his lands and tenements in Brome [Broom], co. Staff. Witnesses: Richard Prat, of Broom; Richard Cordwaner, of Clent; Henry Godman, of Broom, and others. Dat. Broom, Tu. aft. F. of the Ascension [31 May], 20 Ric. II [1397]. Lat. With seal.

238. GRANT from William Pygun, citizen of Worcester, to John de Dunclent, son and heir of Edmund de Dunclent and Johanna his wife, of all the lands and tenements which he lately held by grant from the said John, in Broom, co. Staff. Witnesses: Philip Horde; Dom. Philip, Parson of Broom; Richard Prat, of Broom. Dat. Broom, Tu. aft. F. of the Tr. of St. Wulfstan [19 June], 20 Ric. II [1397]. Lat. With seal.

239. GRANT from Ralph de Seynesbury, chaplain, and John Horewode, to John de Dunclent and Johanna his wife, of the manor of Churchill, near Kidderminster, and the advowson of the church, with reversion on the death of

the said John and Johanna to John Wychehall and Alice his wife, and on failure of heirs to the latter parties, to Elizabeth, daughter of the said John de Dunclent. Witnesses: John, Dominus de Acton; William Blunt; John de Wenforton, and others. Dat. Churchill, Tu. F. of St. Denis [9 Oct.], 21 Ric. II [1397]. Lat.

240. GRANT from Ralph Stafford to John de Dunclent and Johanna his wife, of twenty shillings rent, for certain lands and tenements in Brome [Broom], the said rent to be paid twice a year in the parish church of Broom. Witnesses: Philip Hoord; William Crone; John Acton, Dominus de Acton; William de Aston. Dat. Sat. aft. F. of Conversion of St. Paul [25 Jan.], 21 Ric. II [1398]. Lat.

241. GRANT from John Adunbrok, chaplain, son of John Adunbrok, of Rowley, to William Cardel, of Halesowen, of a plot of land in Halys [Halesowen] which is called Bereplace. Witnesses: Richard Cockes; Robert Hamond; Walter Wotton; Thomas Walker. Dat. Halesowen, Fr. aft. F. of SS. Gervais and Protais [19 June], 21 Ric. II [1398]. Lat. With seal.

242. QUIT-CLAIM from John, son of Adam Hulle, of Arley, to John Nasshe, of Trympeley [Trimpley], of the lands which John Wattessone formerly held in Haukebache, in Arley Manor. Witnesses: Richard atte Nasshe; Thomas, son of John Tugge; William Churcheyard, and others. Dat. Haukebache, M. aft. F. of St. Dunstan [21 Oct.], 22 Ric. II [1398]. Lat. With seal.

243. GRANT from William Hulle, chaplain, to John Nasshe, of Trympeley [Trimpley], of all the lands which the said William holds by grant from John Wattessone, in Haukebache, within the lordship of Arley. Witnesses: Richard atte Nasshe; Thomas Tugge, son of John Tugge; John Churcheyerd, and others. Dat. Haukebache, Whit-

sun Monday [19 May], 22 Ric. II [1399]. Lat. With seal.

244. GRANT from John de Dunclent, Dominus de Chirchill, to William Blunt, of that messuage and half-virgate of land in Churchill which John Maryn[1] formerly held from him; and that messuage and half-virgate of land which John Smyth, of Brome [Broom, co. Staff.], held from him; with a garden in Churchill called Tayllours-place, and a plot of land between the mill of Churchill and Le Bladoune. Witnesses: William Andesone; John de Wenforton; John Broun; William Persones; John Smyth. Dat. Churchill, M. aft. F. of St. Luke [Oct. 18], 1 Hen. IV [1399]. Lat. With seal.

245. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas Broun, chaplain, to William Milward, of Halesowen, of all the lands and tenements which Humphrey de Stafford, Knt., and the said Thomas formerly held by feoffment of the said William in the fee of Halesowen. Witnesses: Robert Hamond; John Hamond; Richard Cockes. Dat. Lichfield, Th. in Whitsun week [10 June], 1 Hen. IV [1400]. Lat. With seal.

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246. GRANT from Roger atte Lyegh, of Frankley, to Richard Alysaundre, John Colmoure, and Robert Hamond, of all his lands and tenements in the fee of Frankley and Wyllyngeswych [Willingwick]. Witnesses: William Spernore, Dominus de Frankeleye; William his son; Simon Hawkes, and others. Dat. Frankley, Wed. Mor. of Conv. of St. Paul [25 Jan.], 2 Hen. IV [1401]. Lat. With seal of arms.

247. GRANT from John Grafton, of Hales, to Richard Flemynge, of the same, of a messuage which lies between the tenements of John Pachet and of Robert Hamond, and

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[1] Cf. No. 178.

which lately belonged to John Haukys. Witnesses: Thomas Harbrough and Thomas Myles, Bailiffs of Hales; John Sadeler, and others. Dat. Halesowen, M. aft. F. of St. Barnabas [11 June], 2 Hen. IV [1401]. Lat. With seal.

248. GRANT from Roger atte Leeh and John Willeson, of Frankley, to Richard Walsche, son of William Walsche, of Frankley, of all the lands in Frankley called Herewardeslond, which they hold by grant from Roger Barell, of Smethwick. Witnesses: John Slyegh; Simon Haukes; John Pepewell, and others. Dat. Frankley, M. bef. F. of St. Margaret [20 July], 2 Hen. IV [1401]. Lat.

249. GRANT from John Wayte, of Northfield, and Emmota, widow of William Haukokus, of Warley, to William Caldewelle and Joan his wife, of all the lands which they hold by grant and bequest of the said William Haukokus [in Warley]. Witnesses: John Kembersley; Thomas Townhale; Richard Feys, and others. Dat. Warley, Fr. F. of St. Martin [11 Nov.], 3 Hen. IV [1401]. Lat. With two seals.

250. GRANT from Thomas Cursum, Bailiff of Frankley, to Robert Hamond, of Hales, of all the lands and tenements which the said Thomas had by grant from Walter Deye, of Tadenhurst, within the manor of Frankley, to whom they fell on the death of William Ketell, his kinsman. Witnesses: John Slygh; John Colmor; Thomas Halle; John Hare, and others. Dat. Frankley, Wed. aft. F. of St. Gregory [12 Mar.], 4 Hen. IV [1403]. Lat. With seal.

251. GRANT from Alice Dunclent, widow of John Burdon, to Henry, Lord of Haggeleye, of all her lands in the lordship of Kyderminstre [Kidderminster] which John Boteler formerly held. Witnesses: John Sugge, John Clent,

Bailiffs of Kidderminster; Giles de Fililode, and others. Dat. Hagley, Wed. in Whitsun week [6 June], 4 Hen. IV [1403]. Lat. With seal.

252. QUIT-CLAIM from Agnes, widow of William Churcheyard, to John Churcheyard, of Arley, of the lands which the said William Cately held in Arley, called Aylewardeslond and Godfreylond. Witnesses: John Hulle; John Gode; John Exston. Dat. 1 July, 4 Hen. IV [1403]. Lat.

253. GRANT from Richard Lynacre de Honyngton to Roger atte Lyghe, of Frankley, of all that land "over which the water-course of the mill of the said Roger runs, or in the future shall run, near the Flodgates". Witnesses: Thomas Walsche; Simon Haukys; John Jurdan. Dat. Honington, Fr. F. of St. Margaret [20 July], 4 Hen. IV [1403]. Lat.

254. QUIT-CLAIM from Juliana Ayllewart, widow, to John Chircheyort, of a messuage "cum una noca" [nook] of land adjoining, called Aylewardeslond in Arley. Witnesses: John Hextone; John Gode; John Hulle. Dat. Arley, Wed. F. of St. Peter ad vincula [1 Aug.], 4 Hen. IV [1403]. Lat. With seal, broken.

255. LEASE, for seven years, from Cecily, widow of Thomas Popewelle, of Frankley, and Thomas her son, to Roger atte Lyghe de Frankeley, and Roger Muleward, of a messuage, etc., in Frankley; the said Roger and Roger undertaking to build two "bays", one at the end of the said messuage, and the other "supra pistrinum", at their own expense, the said Cecily and Thomas to find the timber requisite for the said buildings. Witnesses: Simon Haukys; John Wyllesone; William Walsche. Dat. Frankley, Tu. F. of the Ann. of the B. V. Mary [25 Mar.], 5 Hen. IV [1404]. Lat.

256. LEASE, for eighty years, from the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen to William Cockes, of the same, of a messuage, etc., in Hales, called Chyltonusplace. Rent, four shillings; but if the said William, or the heirs of his body, shall sublet the said messuage to anyone during the said term, the subtenants shall pay five shillings rent to the Abbey. Dat. Hales, T. aft. F. of St. Ambrose [4 Apr.], 5 Hen. IV [1404]. Lat. With seal.

257. GRANT from Henry othe Grene de Rugeacre to Thomas Warde, of Ylley, of the lands, etc., he holds by feoffment of William Tomenhorn and John Broun, which were lately Richard de Wyrley's; the lands which John, son of Henry Hulle, of Hales, formerly held from Richard Fokerham, in the fee of Warley; the lands which the said grantor holds by feoffment of John othe Grene de Rugeacre; with two crofts lying between the highway leading towards Weoley and the land of the Abbot of Halesowen, called Hobecokussych. Witnesses: John Wayte; William Caldewalle; Philip de Beurgh, and others. Dat. Warley, Th. aft. F. of Ann. of B. V. Mary [25 Mar.], 6 Hen. IV [1405]. Lat. With seal.

258. GRANT from William Deye, of Hales, to Richard Flemyng, of Hales, of five selions of land lying in Le Hyghefeld at Le Pendelston [in Halesowen]. Witnesses: William Poole; Robert Hamond; John Lynde. Dat. Sat. aft. F. of St. John a. p. l. [6 May], 6 Hen. IV [1405]. Lat. With seal.

259. LEASE, for life, from Thomas Warde, of Ridgeacre, to Henry othe Grene, of Ridgeacre, of all the lands and tenements which the said Thomas had by gift from the said Henry in Ruggeacre [Ridgeacre]. Witnesses: John Wayte; William Caldewelle; Richard Feys; Thomas Towenhale, and others. Dat. Ridgeacre, Fr. aft. F. of St. Katharine [25 Nov.], 7 Hen. IV [1405]. Lat. With seal.

260. LEASE, for 99 years, from the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen to William Caldewelle, of Ridgeacre, of the tenement which Joan, widow of John Wyrley, held in the fee of Warley, co. Worc. (excepting five selions of land in le Gorstyhawynge), together with the moiety of a plot of land called Le Webbegrene, and two selions of land in Horssetefeld, called Swetyngeslond. Rent, six shillings. Witnesses: Nicholas Leuesone; Richard Cokkes; John Kembersley. Dat. Halesowen Monastery, Th. F. of Tr. of St. Thomas [7 July], 8 Hen. IV [1407]. Lat. With Abbey seal, broken at lower edges.

261. GRANT from John de Hexton to Ralph de Shawe, Walter de Wrottesley, Richard Honte, vicar of Wodesbury [Wednesbury, co. Staff.], and William de Trimpeley, chaplain, of all his lands in Arley. Witnesses: Edmund Lowe; Philip Hoord; Henry Korbyn, and others. Dat. Arley, S. aft. F. of St. Mary Magdalen [22 July], 7 Hen. IV [1406], Lat. With seal.

262. LEASE, for seventy years, from Thomas de Stretton Dean, and the Chapter of Lichfield, to John Chircheyerd, of Arley, of a plot of land called Le Chyrcheyard, opposite the cemetery of the parish church of Arley. Rent, twelve pence per annum. Witnesses: Master John de Oudeby, Archdeacon of Derby; William Newehagh, Archdeacon of Chester; Thomas Scut. Dat. Chapter House, Fr. aft. F. of Epiphany [6 Jan.], 1408[9]. Lat. With Chapter seal, much broken.

263. QUIT-CLAIM from Richard atte Lylden, John Walker, Richard Pollesworthe, and Thomas Pepewelle to William, son of Ralph Walloxhale, of a plot of land [in Hales], as put forth in a pair of indentures between Richard Grey and the said William. Witnesses: Richard Cokkes; John Lynde; William Poole, and others. Dat. Hales, Th.

aft. F. of St. Matthias [24 Feb.], 10 Hen. IV [1409]. Lat. With four seals.

264. GRANT from William Caldewelle, of Ridgeacre, to Richard Cokkes, of Hales, and John atte Yate, chaplain, of two crofts of land enclosed, lying in Ridgeacre, called Le Grenefeldus. Witnesses: John Wayte; John Kembersley; Richard Feys, and others. Dat. Ridgeacre, Fr. bef. F. of St. Barnabas [11 June], 10 Hen. IV [1409]. Lat. With seal.

265. GRANT from Thomas Bruet, William Churche, clerks, and Richard Katermaynes to Thomas Luttelton and Matilda his wife, of the manor of Frankley, with appurtenances, and all the lands called Bromwycheslond, Byng-hameslond, Berghenlond, Slowlond, Hullefeldes, and Oldenhulles, which they held by feoffment of the said Thomas Luttelton. Witnesses: John Braas de Wych; William Wolashulle; William Aldebury; Richard Cockes; John Colmore. Dat. Frankley, Mon. aft. F. of St. Edmund, Bp. and Conf. [16 Nov.], 12 Hen. IV [1410]. Lat.

266. LEASE from Thomas Luttelton, Lord of Frankley, and Matilda his wife, to John Walssh and Margery his wife, of a messuage and parcel of land containing two "diets" in Frankley, called Rawlyns. Rent, two shillings and sixpence. Dat. 29 Apr., 12 Hen. IV [1411]. Lat. With two seals.

267. LEASE, for 12 years, from Thomas Whitenhull, of Remesleie [Romsley, in Halesowen], to John Chircheyord, of a moiety of all the lands and tenements called Edmundeslond in Romsley. Rent, forty shillings. Witnesses: Hugh Lowe; Hugh Boskervile; Henry Dunfowe, and others. Dat. Remesleie, S. aft. F. of St. Michael [29 Sep.], 13 Hen. IV [1411]. Lat. With seal.

268. QUIT-CLAIM from Henry Penne, son of Richard Penne, to John Churcheyard, of Arley, of a toft called Godefreys, within the fee of Arley, in le Nasshende, near the boundaries of co. Salop. Witnesses: Thomas Skeet; John Exston; John Ideyard, and others. Dat. F. of St. Augustine [15 May], 13 Hen. IV [1412]. Lat. With seal.

269. ADMISSION of John Churcheyarde, nativus domini, to a messuage, cottage, and land in Arley, on the surrender of the same by John, son of John Nasshe, of Arley, and John Churcheyard, jointly. Dat. Fr. bef. F. of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.], 1 Hen. V [1413]. Lat.

270, 271. GRANT and QUIT-CLAIM from John Wayte, of Northfield, to Adamar Walsh, of Northfield, John Chattok, son of William Chattok, of Castle Bromwich, John atte Somerlone, of the same, Thomas Abell, of the same, and Thomas Cok, of Frankley, of a messuage and all his lands in Warley (excepting those which he and a certain Henry Haukere, now deceased, acquired by feoffment of Roger Cook and Margery his wife). Witnesses: John Hogges; Thomas Hogges; Thomas Whatcroft, and others. Dat. Warley [3, 4 Aug.], 2 Hen. V [1414]. Lat. With seals.

272. EXTRACT of Court Roll of Hales manor, recording the admission of William Warde, of Ylley, to a messuage and a half virgate of land called Gybbslond, lately held by his father, Richard Ward. Dat. Wed. bef. F. of St. Lucy [13 Dec.], 2 Hen. V [1414]. Lat.

273. INDENTURE OF LEASE from John Porter, vicar of Kidderminster, William Euerdon, Thomas Hosyntre, chaplains, John Wenforton, Thomas Janyns, John Hethey, Richard Eynon, and Guy Clent, of lands and tenements near Halesowen, namely, Blakeley grange, Owley grange, Radewell grange, Offemore grange, and Farley grange, for

a term of sixty years, on the following condition, namely: that the said Abbot and Convent shall pay, or cause to be paid, ten pounds ten shillings on Michaelmas Day following the death of Richard Russeby, of Kidderminster, and the same amount on Lady Day following, in Kidderminster Church, to the said John Porter, the vicar, and John Wenforton, Thomas Janyns, wardens of the said church, during 20 years after the death of the said Richard, till 400 pounds have been paid. Dat. Halesowen, M. bef. F. of Purif. of B. V. Mary [2 Feb.], 2 Hen. V [1415]. Lat. With seals.

274. POWER OF ATTORNEY from Thomas Middelton, Prior of Dodeford [Dodford], and the Convent, to Richard Katermayns, sen., to deliver seisin to Thomas Luttelton, Esquire, Lord of Frankley, and Matilda his wife, and Thomas Heuster and Elizabeth his wife, of William Halwell, their villein, with all his suit, goods, and chattels, etc. Dat. "Our Chapter House at Dodford", M. after F. of St. Hilary [13 Jan.], 4 Hen. V [1417]. Lat. With seal, broken and detached.

275. GRANT from William Cardel, of Halesowen, miller, to Richard Cockes, of the same, William Ducy, of Northfield, and William Crassher, of Dudley, of all his lands, etc., in the vill and borough of Halesowen. Witnesses: Richard Harborh; John Walker; Thomas Hamound, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Mon. F. of Conv. of St. Paul [25 Jan.], 4 Hen. V [1417]. Lat. With seal.

276. GRANT from Thomas Luttelton, Esquire, and Matilda his wife, Thomas Heuster, of Lichfield, and Elizabeth his wife, to William Vidsale, of Frankley, of all the lands and tenements which they acquired by feoffment of the said William in Frankley. Witnesses: John Colmore; Henry Kyng; William Haukes, and others. Dat. Frankley, Sat. in Easter week [17 Apr.], 5 Hen. V [1417]. Lat. With four seals.

277, 278. FINE levied at Westminster in Michaelmas Term, 5 Hen. V [1417], before Richard Norton, Robert Hull, John Cokayn, William Lodyngton, and John Preston, Justices, whereby Nicholas Ruggeley, Esquire, and Edith his wife, convey to Joan, widow of William de Bello Campo, of Abergavenny, Knt., Philip Morgan, clerk, Bartholomew Brokesby, Esquire, and John Russell, the third part of the castle of Weoley, and of the manors of Northfield, Cradley, Old Swinford, co. Worc., the manors of Bordesley and Haybern, and the view of frankpledge of Aston, co. Warw., and the manors of Mere, Handsworth, and Clent, co. Staff., which Hugh Burnell, Knt., Lord of Holegote and of Weoley, holds for his life. Lat.

279. GRANT from John Pepewalle, of Frankley, Thomas Huyet, of Belbroughton, Richard Haden, of Rowley, and Henry Haden, of the same, to William Huyet, of Halesowen, of a tenement in Hales, which they acquired by feoffment from Robert Hamond and others. Witnesses: John Lynde; William Poole; Robert atte Lythe, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Th. F. of St. Katherine [25 Nov.], 5 Hen. V [1417]. Lat. With seals.

280. GRANT from Richard Cokkes, of Halesowen, William Ducy, of Northfield, William Crassher, of Dudley, to Robert Eggok, "Broeuster" to the Abbey of Halesowen, and Constance his wife, of a capital messuage, with chamber annexed, in Halesowen. Witnesses: Robert atte Lythe, master bailiff of Hales; Thomas Hamond, sub-bailiff of Hales. Dat. Hales, Th. after F. of St. Andrew [30 Nov.], 5 Hen. V [1417]. Lat. With three seals.

281. QUIT-CLAIM from Hugh de Burnell, Knt., Lord of Holgote and Weoley, of his right in the third part of the castle and manor of Weoleygh [Weoley, in Northfield], Northfield, Cradley, and Old Swinford, with the advowson of the church of the latter; the manors of Clent, Mere,

Bobyngton, and Hondesworth [Handsworth, co. Staff.], with the advowsons of the churches of Mere and Handsworth, co. Staff.; the manors of Bordsley and Haybern [Bordesley, co. Warw.], with the view of frankpledge of Aston, co. Warw., to Johanna de Beauchampe, Domina de Bergevenny, Philip Morgan, clerk, Bartholomew Brokesby, and John Russell, to whom Nicholas Ruggeley and Edith his wife have granted the reversion of the said third part on the death of the above-named Hugh de Burnell, tenant for life of the said manors, etc. Dat. Weoley [1 Dec.], 5 Hen. V [1417]. Lat. With fine impression of the seal of arms of H. de Burnell.

282. QUIT-CLAIM from Margery, widow of William Muleward, of Hales, to Robert Eggok and Constance his wife, of her right, by reason of dower, in the messuage, "with chamber annexed", which the said Robert and Constance held by feoffment from Richard Cokkes, of Hales, William Ducy, of Northfield, and William Crasher, of Dudley. Witnesses: Richard Cokkes, of Hales; John Lynde, of the same; John Walker. Dat. Hales, Wed. F. of the Conception of the B. V. Mary [8 Dec.], 5 Hen. V [1417]. Lat. With seal.

283. GRANT from William Grymenhull, of Halesowen, to Margery, relict of William Cardell, "Muleward" [sic], of the same place, of a plot of land [in Halesowen]. Witnesses: Richard Cokkes; John Lynde; Richard Pollesworthe, "tournour", and others. Dat. Halesowen, Wed. aft. F. of St. Ambrose [4 Apr.], 6 Hen. V [1418]. Lat. With seal.

284. POWER OF ATTORNEY from Richard Cornewayle, Dominus de Burford, and Alice his wife, to John Penne, of Hagley, and Simon Byrchore, of Kidderminster, to deliver seisin to Walter Kebbyll, Esquire, Richard Pepur, and Joan his wife, of the patronage and advowson of the

church of Churchill, co. Worc., with the glebe of the same. Dat. Churchill, Th. aft. F. of Nativity of the B. V. Mary [8 Sept.], 6 Hen. V [1418]. Lat. With seal of arms, broken.

285, 286. GRANT and COUNTERPART from Richard Cokkes, of Halesowen, William Ducy, of Northfield, and William Crassher, of Dudley, to Margery Muleward, widow of William Muleward, of Hales (with remainder to William, Isabella, and Richard, children of the said Margery and William, in succession), of all the lands, etc., in Hales, which the said grantors held by feoffment of the said William Muleward. Witnesses: John Walker, William Hamond, bailiffs of Hales; John Lynde, and others. Dat. Hales, M. aft. F. of St. John a. p. l. [6 May], 7 Hen. V [1419]. Lat. With seals.

287. FINE levied on the morrow of All Souls' Day [2 Nov.], 7 Hen. V [1419], before Richard Norton, Robert Hull, John Cokayn, William Lodyngton, and John Preston, Justices, whereby Adam Peshale, Knight, and Joyce his wife, convey to Joan, widow of William Beauchamp, Knt., John Braaz, Walter Kebbyl, and John Garlethorp, clerk, the third part of the manors and advowsons mentioned in Charters 277, 278, 288.

288. QUIT-CLAIM from Hugh de Burnell, Knt., Lord of Holgote and of Weoley, of his right in the manors, etc., mentioned in Ch. 281, to Joan, widow of William Beauchamp, Knt., John Braaz, Walter Kebbyll, and John Garlethorp, clerk, to whom Adam Peshall, Knt., and Joyce his wife, had granted the reversion of a third part of the same manors, etc. Dat. Weoley, 4 Dec., 7 Hen. V [1419]. Lat. With seal of arms, broken.

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289. GRANT from Thomas Whitenhull, of Remesley [Romsley, co. Sal.], to Richard Horseton, vicar of Wol-

verley, Roger Mose, and Walter Longeley, chaplains, of a toft in Romsley, a plot of land called Le Bruche, near the King's highway, leading from Romsley towards Enefeld [Enfield], an assart called Amyrudyng, a field called Kyppelode, the moiety of a meadow called Tounnedewe, with ingress and egress through the middle of the said meadow to and from the highway; the moiety of a field called Edewellefeld, with right of way to Stonybridge "per unam portam ibidem pendentem"; the moiety of a plot of land in Morefeld, the moiety of a plot of land lying at Bordesasche in Wynmulnefeld, and a halfpenny rent from a field called Oldfeld. Witnesses: Hugh Lowe; John Whytonhull; John Haddeley, and others. Dat. Romsley, S. aft. F. of St. Andrew [30 Nov.], 8 Hen. V [1420]. Lat. With seal, broken.

290. GRANT from Philip Trappe, of Shenston, husbondman, to John Sheldon, of Rowley, John Kymberesley, of Warley, jun., and John Pepwell, of Frankley, of a messuage and croft of land called Trappe Plas, in the fee of Warley, co. Worc., lying between the tenement of Thomas del Grene and Le Pley Plas. Witnesses: Thomas Grene, of Ridgeacre; John Weyte; John Kembersley, and others. Dat. Wed. in Easter week [26 Mar.], 9 Hen. V [1421]. Lat. With fragment of seal.

291. GRANT from William Grymenhull, of Halesowen, to Richard Tunstale, of a tenement in Halesowen. Witnesses: Richard Cokkes; William Hamond; John Tegworthe. Dat. Halesowen, Th. F. of St. George [23 Apr.], 10 Hen. V [1422]. Lat. With seal of arms.

292. POWER OF ATTORNEY from William Bere, *al.* Lynde, of Tewkesbury, to John Peppewale, to deliver seisin to William Bishop of a messuage called Berehalle, in Halesowen. Dat. Weoley [1 Aug.], 1 Hen. VI [1423]. Lat.

293. GRANT from William Luyde, *al.* Bere, to William Bisshopp, of a tenement called Le Berehalle, with a garden and three cottages, in Halesowen. Witnesses: Robert Hamonde; John Lyende; John Goloffer, and others. Dat. Hales [11 Oct.], 2 Hen. VI [1423]. Lat.

294. QUIT-CLAIM from Alexander Mersh and Alice his wife, daughter of John Bate, to Thomas Haket, of Cradley, of the lands and tenements which were Geoffrey Caldewalle's, in Warley, co. Worc. Witnesses: John Werleye; Cornelius Wyrleye; Thomas Portere, and others. Dat. Warley [2 Apr.], 2 Hen. VI [1424]. Lat.

295. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas Mersh, of Middelton, and Margaret his wife, daughter of John Bate, to Thomas Haket, of Cradley, of the lands and tenements which were lately Geoffrey Caldewalle's, in Warley. Witnesses: John Kembresley; Thomas Portere; Thomas Grene. Dat. Warley [3 Apr.], 2 Hen. VI [1424]. Lat. With two seals.

296. QUIT-CLAIM from Emmota Hobben, of Thykbrom, dau. of John Bate, to Thomas Haket, of Cradley, of the lands, etc., which lately belonged to Geoffrey Caldewall, in Warley, co. Worc. Witnesses: John Werleye; Cornelius Wyrleye; Thomas Grene. Dat. Warley [4 Apr.], 2 Hen. VI [1424]. Lat. With seal.

297. GRANT from Adamar Walsshe, of Northfield, John Chattok, son of William Chattok, of Castle Bromwich, and Thomas Cok, of Frankley, to John Wayte, of a messuage and lands in Ridgeacre and Warley, which they held jointly with John atte Somerlone, of Castle Bromwich, and Thomas Abell, of the same, now deceased; with remainder on the death of John Wayte to Thomas Heuster. Witnesses: John Werueley; Richard Page; John Moghlowe,

and others. Dat. Ridgeacre, Wed. bef. F. of St. Michael [29 Sep.], 3 Hen. VI [1424]. Lat. With three seals.

298. COVENANT, whereby it is agreed that Thomas in le Hay, *al.* Moklowe, shall hold during the life of Johanna, wife of John Mokelowe, formerly wife of William Caldwalle, a certain field called Sweynesfeld, in Ridgeacre, and the other party to the covenant, William Loucok, of Horborn, shall have "housbote and haybote" in the same field, with all the buildings, gardens, etc., allotting to the said Thomas, the value of the same to be fixed by the neighbours. Dat. Ridgeacre, F. of St. Thomas [21 Dec.], 3 Hen. VI [1424]. Lat. With seal.

299. GRANT from Robert Eggeok, of Halesowen, and Constance his wife, to John Pappewalle, of Frankley, of a messuage, with chamber annexed, lying between the chamber of the late William Cardell, "milward", and the highway, together with a close called Le Feld, in Hales. Witnesses: Robert Hamond; William Hamond; John Lynde, and others. Dat. Hales, S. bef. F. of St. George [23 Apr.], 3 Hen. VI [1425]. Lat. With two seals.

300. EXTRACT of INQUISITIO-POST-MORTEM (held at Wolverhampton) of Edmund, Earl of March, proving that he held on the day of his death the Manor of Arley, co. Staff., from the King, and that Richard, Duke of York, is his kinsman and heir. Dat. 20 Aug., 3 Hen. VI [1425]. Lat.

301. LEASE and RELEASE from William Bisshopp to John Pippewale, of a tenement called Le Bere Halle, with garden and three cottages in Hales Ewen [Halesowen], which the said William Cately acquired by feoffment from William Bere. Witnesses: Thomas Heuster; John Colmore; John Lyende, and others. Dat. Halesowen, 1 Sep., 4 Hen. VI [1425]. Lat.

302. GRANT from Richard Tunstall, of Halesowen, to William Hostage, chaplain, Robert Hamond, and William Lynde, of Hales, of the tenement in Hales which the said Richard lately acquired by feoffment of William de Grymenhull. Witnesses: John Lynde; John Walker; Robert atte Lyde, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Mon. F. of the Annun. of B. V. Mary [25 Mar.], 4 Hen. VI [1426]. Lat. With seal.

303. LEASE, for life, from Thomas Cookes, of Northfield, to Henry Kyng, of Frankley, of all the lands, etc., which the said Thomas holds by feoffment from the said Henry in Frankley; with the remainder, on the latter's death, of a moiety of the lands to Margaret his wife for her life (on condition that she have no dower in the other moiety); the same first moiety, on the death of the said Margaret, to remain to Thomas, son of John Auncell and Johanna his wife, and the heirs of their bodies; the second moiety also to remain to the said Thomas and Johanna on the death of the said Henry. Witnesses: Thomas Heuster; Nicholas Thiknesse; William Hawkes, and others. Dat. Frankley, Easter Tuesday [2 Apr.], 4 Hen. VI [1426]. Lat. With seal, broken.

304. GRANT from William Hostage, chaplain, Robert Hamond, and William Lynde, of Halesowen, to Richard Tunstall, of Halesowen, and Alice his wife, of that tenement in Hales which they lately acquired by feoffment from the said Richard. Witnesses: John Lynde; John Walker; Robert atte Lyde, and others. Dat. Halesowen, M. bef. F. of St. George [23 Apr.], 4 Hen. VI [1426]. Lat. With three seals (two, seals of arms).

305. GRANT from Agnes Grymmehull, of Halesowen, widow, to William her son and William Thiderick, of Cakkemore, of one acre of land in Hyghfelde, two selions in the same field, one acre in Whitelayfeld, and five selions

in Huntyngtre [in Halesowen]. Witnesses: John Lynde; John Gegworth; William Golofre, and others. Dat. Hales, M. aft. F. of St. Bartholomew [24 Aug.], 5 Hen. VI [1427]. Lat. With seal.

306. GRANT from Margery Locok, widow of Henry Locok, of Horburn, to William Locok her son, of all her lands, etc., in Warley. Witnesses: John Seggeley; Richard Cotelere; Geoffrey Hull. Dat. Horburn, F. of St. Laurence [2 Feb.], 6 Hen. VI [1428]. Lat. With seal.

307. GRANT from Alice Kockes, of Halesowen, widow, to John Peppewall, John Yonge, and John Strynger, of seven "diets" and two selions of land in La Hiefeld, Huntyngtre, and Wheteleyfeld [in Halesowen]. Witnesses: Robert Hamond; Richard Tunstall; John Chewe, and others. Dat. Hales, Mon. F. of Inv. of Holy Cross [3 May], 6 Hen. VI [1428]. Lat. With seal.

308. EXEMPLIFICATION by Henry VI (made "quod carta predicta casualiter est amissa")[1] of the grant by Edward I to Letard de Henyn, of the manor of Arley. Dat. 14 May, Anno 6 [1428]. Lat. With great seal.

309. FINE levied in Trinity Term, 6 Hen. VI [1428], before Richard Norton, Robert Hull, John Cokayn, William Lodyngton, and John Preston, Justices, whereby Walter Morton and Wauthleana his wife convey to Richard Cokkes a messuage, land, and rent in Warley. Lat.

310. GRANT from John Moughlowe de Hulle and Johanna his wife, widow, and executrix of the late William Caldewalle, of Ridgeacre, of the residue of a lease of ninety-

[1] If the charter was lost, it was afterwards found again, and is now in this collection, No. 34.

nine years of the lands, meadows, and pastures called Wirleys, *al.* Symondeslond, within the fee of Warley, which the above William held for the said term from John Pole, late Abbot, and the Abbey of Halesowen. Dat. Ridgeacre, Fr. aft. F. of St. Giles [16 Sep.], 7 Hen. VI [1428]. Lat. With two seals.

311. GRANT from John Lynd, of Halesowen, and John Walker, of the same, to John Peppewall, of all those lands which were formerly held by Richard Cockys and Alice his wife, in Le Hyefeld, Wheteleyfeld, and Huntyngtre, within the fee and manor of Hales. Witnesses: Richard Tunstall; Robert Hamond; William Lynd, and others. Dat. Hales, Fr. aft. F. of St. Matthew [21 Sept.], 7 Hen. VI [1428]. Lat. With two seals.

312. GRANT from Richard Flemyng to William Bisshopp, Esquire, John Grene, vicar of Brymesgrove [Bromsgrove], William Sutton, vicar of Kedermynstre [Kidderminster], and Richard Breche, chaplain, of a messuage and garden in Halesowen. Witnesses: Richard Dunstall, Bailiff of Halesowen; Richard Squyer, Sub-bailiff, and others. Dat. Halesowen, S. aft. F. of St. Hilary [13 Jan.], 7 Hen. VI [1429]. Lat. With seal.

313. QUIT-CLAIM from John Halle, brother and heir of William Halle, chaplain, to William Bisshop, of a messuage, etc., in Halesowen. Witnesses: Richard Dunstall, Bailiff [of Hales]; Richard Squyer, Sub-bailiff of Hales; William Lynde, and others. Dat. Th. bef. Palm Sunday [18 Mar.], 7 Hen. VI [1429]. Lat.

314. GRANT from Matilda, widow of Thomas Luttelton, Lord of Frankley, to John Massy, Esquire, of the Manor of Frankley, and all the lands called Bromwycheslond, Bynghameslond, Berghelond, Slowlond, Hullefeldes, and Oldenhulles, which she acquired by feoffment from Thomas

Bruet, William Church, clerks, and Richard Katermaynes, now deceased. Witnesses: Edmund, Lord Ferrers; Thomas Burdet, Knt.; Richard Hubaud, Edward Blondell, Thomas Jowett, Esquires. Dat. Frankley, Easter Tuesday [29 Mar.], 7 Hen. VI [1429]. Lat. With fine seal.

315. GRANT from Thomas Benet, of Swinford, to Thomas Dikons, Dominus de Churhul [Churchill], of all his lands which lately belonged to William Persones, of Churchill, namely, a messuage and half virgate of land, and a plot of land called Nemyngs, a plot of land called Saundres Nemyngs, etc., in Churhull [Churchill, co. Worc.]. Witnesses: Dom. John Pachet, Rector of Pepmore; John Penne, of Hagley; Richard Teke, of Bobbington, and others. Dat. Churchill, Tu. bef. F. of St. Mary Magdalen [22 July], 7 Hen. VI [1429]. Lat. With seal.

316. GRANT from Thomas Dycons, Dominus de Churchehill, to John Hulot and Alice his wife, of a messuage in Churchill, late held by William Gurdelar. Witnesses: John Broun; John Waleys; John Bakon, and others. Dat. Churchill, F. of St. James [25 July], 7 Hen. VI [1429]. Lat.

317. GRANT from William Hamonde, of Halesowen, to John Peppewall, of the same, of eight selions of land in Halesowen, lying in Whyteleyfeld, and two other selions in the same field. Witnesses: William Bisshopp; Richard Dunestall; John Lynde, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Fr. aft. F. of St. Gregory [12 Mar.], 8 Hen. VI [1430]. Lat. With two seals.

318. GRANT from Richard Tunstall, of Halesowen, and Alice his wife, to Robert Hamond, John Poppewall, William Lynd, and John Chewe, of a tenement in Hales, lying between the tenement of the late William Cardell,

"milleward", and the tenement of the late John Gloucestre, etc. Witnesses: William Bisshop, Thomas Kelmysstowe, Bailiffs of Hales; John Lynd, and others. Dat. Hales, Sat. bef. F. of SS. Philip and James [1 May] 8 Hen. VI [1430]. Lat. With two seals.

319. GRANT from John Massy, Esquire, to Edmund, Lord Ferrers, John Sutton, Lord of Dudley, Thomas Burdet, Nicholas Burdet, Geoffrey Massey, Knights, John Fyton, clerk, and others, of all his right in Frankley Manor, and the lands called Bromwycheslond, Bynghameslond, Berghelond, Slowlond, Hullefeldes, and Oldenhulles. Witnesses: Richard Hubaud; Edward Blondell; Edward Hambury, and others. Dat. F. of Tr. of St. Edward, K. and Conf. [5 Jan.], 9 Hen. VI [1431]. Lat. With seal.

320. LEASE, for a term of twenty years, from Robert Huchyns and John Warde to Thomas Heuster, of Worcester, of a certain croft called Le Quybbe, in Ridgeacre, which they lately acquired by feoffment from Thomas Warde, of Ridgeacre: to hold at a rose rent. Dat. F. of Nat. of B. V. Mary [8 Sep.], 10 Hen. VI [1431]. Lat. With two seals (one broken).

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321. WRIT of King Henry VI to the Sheriffs and Guardians of the Peace of co. Worcester, to apprehend and eject Richard Coke, of Frankley, who, in contempt of the Statute of 15 Richard II, has, "with various malefactors and disturbers of the peace, forcibly entered and taken possession of a messuage and various tenements of Richard Smale, of Coventry in Frankley." Witness: Humphrey, Duke of Gloucester, Guardian of the Realm. Dat. 18 Jan., Anno 10 [1432]. Lat. Copy.

322, 323. QUIT-CLAIM (in duplicate) from Richard Wennerton, of Hagley, to Thomas Dykons, of Bobynton,

Dominus de Churchehull, of a messuage and half virgate of land in Churchill, which his father, John Wennerton, lately held. Witnesses: John Brown, of Churchill; John Waleys; and John Bakon. Dat. Churchill, Tu. F. of St. Matthew [21 Sep.], 11 Hen. VI [1432]. Lat. With seals.

324. GRANT from John Lynde to John Moklowe of a plot of land in Le Hiefeld of Halesowen, lying between the tenement of Richard atte Halle and the highway leading from Hales to Nomonslideyate. Witnesses: William Bisshopp; John Pepwale; Thomas Paston, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Fr. aft. F. of St. Martin [11 Nov.], 11 Hen. VI [1432]. Lat.

325. GRANT from William Hamond, of Halesowen, to Henry Fyllongley, Henry Brokesby, John Yerdeley, and John Chewe, of several plots of land in Halesowen, namely, in Hiefeld, Wheteleyfeld, and Hontyngefeld. Witnesses: Richard Tunstall; John Peppewall; William Geggeworth, and others. Dat. Hales, Tu. in Easter Week [19 Apr.], 13 Hen. VI [1435]. Lat. With seal.

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326. GRANT from William Adams, of Ridgeacre, tailor, and Elena his wife, to Thomas Westcote, *al.* Heuster, of Collesdon, of all the lands, etc., which Thomas Warde father of the said Elena (whose heir she is), acquired by feoffment from Henry Grene, of Ridgeacre, in Warley and Ridgeacre. Witnesses: John Werueley; Roger Bendok; John Yate, and others. Dat. Ridgeacre, Tu. aft. Palm Sunday [1 Apr.], 14 Hen. VI [1436]. Lat. With two seals.

327. POWER OF ATTORNEY from William Cooke, of Frankley, to John Badecoke, to deliver seisin to Agnes, his daughter, and John, his son, of his lands and tenements

in Frankley. Dat. 5 Feb., 15 Hen. VI [1437]. Lat. With seal.

328. GRANT from Richard Tunstall and Alice his wife, to John Cook and Thomas Paston, of all lands in the vill and lordship of Hales. Witnesses: John Yardeley; John Pepwale; William Lynde, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Th. F. of Translation of St. Benedict [11 July], 15 Hen. VI [1437]. Lat. With two seals.

329, 330. FINE levied in Martinmas Term, 16 Hen. VI [1437], before John Juyn, James Strangways, John Cottesmore, and William Paston, Justices, whereby William Adams, of Ylley, tailor, and Elena his wife, convey to Thomas Heuster, of Collesdon, a toft, fifty acres of land, seven acres of meadow, and six acres of wood in Werueley and Riggeacre [Warley and Ridgeacre].

331. GRANT from Richard Prestwode and Margery his wife, to Thomas Turnour, of six selions of land in the Lyncroft, within the lordship of Hales, between the land of William Pepewall and Tybote Penne. Witnesses: William Pepewall; Thomas Hugyns; John Adames, and others. Dat. Haslebury, M. aft. F. of All Saints [1 Nov.], 17 Hen. VI [1438]. Lat.

332. GRANT from Henry Kyng, of Frankley, and Margery his wife, to Thomas Auncell, of the same, and Joanna his wife, of all the lands, etc., in Frankley, which they lately acquired by feoffment from Thomas Cokes, of Northfield. Witnesses: John Massy, Esquire; John Pepwale; John Ranes, and others. Dat. Frankley, Th. bef. Easter [2 Apr.], 17 Hen. VI [1439]. Lat. With two seals.

333. QUIT-CLAIM from Henry Kyng, of Frankley, to Thomas Auncell, of the same, and Johanna his wife, and their heirs, of the lands and tenements in Frankley which

he lately held by feoffment from Thomas Cokes, of Northfield. Witnesses: John Massy, Esquire; John Pepwalle; William Haukes. Dat. Frankley, Fr. bef. Easter [5 Apr.], 17 Hen. VI [1439]. Lat.

334. GRANT from William Prestwode, of Halesowen, to William Pepwalle, of the same, of two "diets" and five selions of land in Le Hyefelde, Whyteleyfelde, and Huntyngtre [in Halesowen]. Witnesses: William Lynde; John Yardeley; John Feytyng. Dat. Hales, Wed. Vigil of St. George [23 Apr.], 17 Hen. VI [1439]. Lat.

335, 336. GRANT (in duplicate) from Hugh Lowe and Walter Longeley, chaplain, to John Hexton and Agnes, daughter of John Horewode, Esquire, of the lands, etc., in Arley which the said Hugh and Walter held by feoffment from Isabella, sometime wife of John Hexton, sen. Witnesses: John Holewey; Thomas Steward; Thomas Lowe, and others. Dat. Arley, Sat. aft. F. of St. Michael [29 Sep.], 18 Hen. VI [1439]. Lat. With seals.

337. GRANT from William Locock to Thomas Littulton, son[1] of Thomas Heuster, of four butts of land in Little Hedeley [L. Hidley, near Hales], to hold for his life, in exchange for a croft called Wardessbyng; with quitclaim from the said William to the said Thomas of a parcel of land called "The londe of Birdesse", in the field called Caldewellisfeilde, which he holds during the life of Margery Birde, and, after her death, on lease for a term of ninety-nine years. Dat. 8 Jan., 18 Hen. VI [1440]. Lat. With seal.

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[1] "Filius"; but he was really stepson of Thomas Hewster, as the following table shows :—

Elizabeth Lyttelton.=1. Thomas Westcote.=2. Thomas Hewster.

Thomas, who retained his mother's name of Lyttelton.

338. LEASE for thirty years from Thomas Dykons, Dominus de Churchehull, to John Benet, jun., of a toft in Churchill, with a virgate of land called Newmonsland, and two messuages, with other lands there, at an annual rent of six shillings and tenpence; the said John to keep the three houses on the said messuages in good repair, and to make one new house "de duobus bayis" on the same land at his own cost, etc. Witnesses: John Waleys; John Bakon, and others. Dat. Churchill, Tu. F. of Pur. of B. V. Mary [2 Feb.], 18 Hen. VI [1440]. Lat.

339. GRANT from John Chewe to John Yerdley of an acre of land in Le Heyfeld [in Halesowen], lying opposite Le Kockeshete, and near Le Craddeleywey. Witnesses: William Lynd; William Geggeworthe; Richard Turnour. Dat. Halesowen, Wed. F. of S. Margaret [20 July], 18 Hen. VI [1440]. Lat. With seal.

340. GRANT and QUIT-CLAIM from John Moklowe, son and heir of Thomas in-le-Hay, *al.* Thomas Moklowe, to Thomas Littelton, of the field called Sweynesfeld, with other lands in Ruggeacre and Worley [Ridgeacre and Warley]. Witnesses: Roger Bowdok, of Bromsgrove; Edward Bensted, of Benyngton; Richard Scharsmyth, of Ridgeacre. Dat. F. of Assumption of B. V. Mary [15 Oct.], 19 Hen. VI [1441]. Lat. With seal.

341. QUIT-CLAIM from John Peppewall, of Birmingham, Thomas Kelmestowe, of Hales, and John Fectyng, of the same, to John Mascy, of Frankley, Esquire, of a messuage and garden in Hales. Witnesses: John Yardeley; William Lynde; William Peppewall. Dat. Hales, Th. bef. F. of Nativ. of B. V. Mary [8 Sept.], 21 Hen. VI [1442]. Lat. With seal.

342. EXTRACT of roll of Court of Hales Manor, held on Wed. F. of St. Faith [6 Oct.], 24 Hen. VI [1445], recording

the surrender of lands in Ylley by William Warde, and readmission of him and Alice his wife to the same lands. Lat. With seal of David Rakewaye, cellarer.

343. CONVEYANCE from Walter Kebbyll, clerk, to James de Ormond, Knt., son and heir of the Earl of Ormond, of the manor of Hagley, with the advowson, and six acres of land in Clent, in Cowebache, co. Staff., which the said Walter lately held jointly with Thomas Arundell, Archbishop of Canterbury, Thomas, Earl of Arundel, Johanna de Beauchamp, Domina de Bergevenny, John Greindour, Knt., William Walewyn, Robert Greindeur, John Harewell, William Butiller, of Yatton, David ap Wyllym ap Jankyn, Thomas ap Llewellyn ap Hoell, and others, now deceased, by feoffment from Thomas Waleweyn, of Much Marcle, William Biriton, and Richard Pepur, with remainder to John and Thomas, brothers of the said James, in succession, on failure of issue. Witnesses: Humphrey Stafford, Knt.; John Grisley, Knt.; John Griffith, Knt.; John Vampage; Thomas Lyttelton, and others. Dat. 20 Nov., 24 Hen. VI [1445]. Lat.

344. EXTRACT of roll of Court of Hales Manor, held on Wed. bef. F. of St. Faith [6 Oct.], 25 Hen. VI [1446], recording the admission of Alice, widow of William Ward, to a messuage and a half virgate of land in Ylley, on the death of her husband, and payment of heriot, namely, a red cow. Lat.

345. GRANT from Thomas Haket, of Cradley, to William Louecok, of Ridgeacre, of all the lands, etc., which the said Thomas acquired by feoffment of John Bredde and Sara his wife, and which were once Geoffrey Caldewalle's, in Warley, co. Worc. Witnesses: William Curteler; Thomas Lee; William Pytts. Dat. Warley, Mon. F. of St. Kenelm [13 Dec.], 25 Hen. VI [1446]. Lat. With seal.

346. EXTRACT of Court Roll, dated Wed. aft. F. of Tr. of St. Benedict [11 July], 25 Hen. VI [1447], recording the admission of William Louecoke to a croft in Ridgeacre, with a moor and "Le Slynge" adjoining, for a term of ninety-nine years, at an annual rent of five shillings. Lat.

347. EXTRACT of Roll of Court, held at Warley on Sat. aft. F. of SS. Tiburtius and Valerian [14 Apr.], 25 Hen. VI [1447], recording the admission of William Louecok to a "diet" of land in the manor for a term of ninety-nine years. Lat. With seal.

348. EXTRACT of Roll of Court held at Hales Manor on Wed. aft. Tr. of St. Benedict [11 July], 25 Hen. VI [1447], recording the admission of William Louecok, on a ninety-nine years' lease, to a croft in Ridgeacre, with a moor and Le Slynge adjacent, and a meadow called Lytelhydley, in Ridgeacre. Lat. With seal.

349. LEASE, for 100 years, from John Horewode, of Compton, Esquire, to Thomas Chirchyord, of Arley, of certain plots of land in Arley, called Brodefeld, Elarenesland, Le Wheolares, Le Hurste medowe, etc., in exchange for lands of the said Thomas, called Litelhynche, Twentybuttes, Lytell Lee, Cocshetegrove, etc., in Arley. Witnesses: John Hexstan; John Gode; Thomas Steward, and others. Dat. Arley, 20 Mar., 26 Hen. VI [1448]. Lat. With seal.

350. INDENTURE OF COVENANT, whereby it is agreed between John Horewode, of Compton, Esquire, and Thomas Chirchyard, of Arley, that though the said John "have mad a staat of an C. Wynter save on [*i.e.*, 99 years] of certeyne parcelles, fyldes", etc. (in exchange for other lands), to the said Thomas, yet if the said John "be warned to holde his terme above said by the chef lord, or by the eyres of the said Thomas or any other, that thenne be it lawfull to the said John to enter in his owne land", etc.;

but if not, it shall be lawful for the said John "to holde the said lond and medewe to him and to his eires in fee sympul". Dat. 20 Mar., 26 Hen. VI [1448].

351. GRANT in trust from Richard, Duke of York, Earl of March, etc., to Ralph, Lord Cromwell, William Oldehall, Knt., William Boerley, Margaret his wife, John Wynnesbury, and Thomas Hopton, of Rekhull, of the manors of Cressage, co. Salop, and Arley, co. Staff., with the reversion of the lands which Isabella, widow of Thomas Fouleshurst, holds in dower in Cressage manor, to hold for the use of the said William Boerley, Margaret his wife, their heirs and assigns. Dat. 20 Dec., 27 Hen. VI [1448]. With signature "R. York", and fine impression of seal, broken.

352. POWER OF ATTORNEY from Richard, Duke of York, for livery of the same manors, in trust for the said William Boerley, his wife, etc. Same date. With signature "R. York", and fine impression of seal, broken.

353. QUIT-CLAIM from Richard, Duke of York, to the feoffees of William Boerley, of the manors of Cressage and Arley, granted by the said Duke on 20 Dec. previously [see Charters 351, 352]. Dat. Denbigh Castle, 6 June, 27 Hen. VI [1449]. With signature "R. York", and seal, broken.

354. QUIT-CLAIM from Ralph, Lord Cromwell, William Oldhale, Knt., and Thomas Hapton, of Rokhull, to William Boerley, of Bromcroft, and Margaret his wife, of the manor of Arley, co. Staff. Witnesses: Ralph Lee; Hugh Haynage; William Leghton, and others. Dat. Arley, 21 Oct., 28 Hen. VI [1449]. Lat. Three seals.

355. EXEMPLIFICATION of various records relating to the proceedings in a suit between Richard, Duke of York,

and John Harpour, grantee from the Crown of the manor of Arley, with the recovery of the same to the Duke of York. Dat. 20 Nov., 28 Hen. VI [1449].

356. COVENANT whereby John Osbarne, who has bought of Marjory, "that was the wyf" of John Harpecote, of Bromsgrove, Ralph Cawod and Annice his wife, daughter and heir "to the said John as to the said Mariarie", a "myseplace" in Bromsgrove called Naldersplace, and another "myseplace" in Bromsgrove called Cowpers, and other lands, undertakes that if he sell the said property, "that the said Raff and Anneys, or the heyres be twyxte them lawfully begeten, shal be thereof warned sex dayes before the said sale, and preferred to bye and purchesse the said londes and tenementes, and also they shal bye theym half a marke under the pryse that other men wol gyf therefore". Dat. Bromsgrove, 14 Jan., 30 Hen. VI [1452]. With seal.

357. NOTIFICATION to the "Tenauntes, fermours, and offysours" within the manors of Arley and Cressage, of the King's writ, ordering them to pay their rent services to Thomas Littelton, serjeant-at-law, to whom the King has granted the said manors [1453-1466]. With seals of John Mylewater, Esquire, John Heven, Esquire, and John Erliche, to whom the writ was directed.

358. GRANT from John Peppewall, of Lapole, near Hales-owen, smith, kinsman and heir of the late John de Peppewall, smith, and Isabella his wife (namely, the son of Thomas, son of Thomas, son of the said John and Isabella), to Thomas Lyttylton, of twelve selions in Lyefeld, within the lordship of Frankley. Witnesses: Robert Westcote; Nicholas Westcote; John Pate, and others. Dat. 6 Sep., 33 Hen. VI [1454]. Lat.

359. POWER OF ATTORNEY from Richard Walshe, of Frankley, to William Wyght, of Frankley, to deliver

seisin to Richard Pachette and Cristiana his wife, of all the lands, with a meadow called Nowemedowe, in Frankley, which the said Richard had by feoffment of Roger Lye and John Wylson. Dat. 24 Jun., 33 Hen. VI [1455]. Lat. With seal.

360. GRANT from John Hulle de Hulle, to Thomas Hasewalle, of Halesowen, of four selions of land in Le Whiteleyfeld. Dat. Hales, M. aft. F. of Conc. of B. V. Mary [8 Dec.], 34 Hen. VI [1455]. Lat.

361. DEED OF INSTITUTION by William Vance, Archdeacon of Worcester, at the request of John [Carpenter], Bishop of Worcester, by his mandate dated "in hospicio nostro de Strond extra Barram novi Templi", 28 Feb. 1455, of Richard Hull, Regular Canon of Halesowen, to the vicarage of Clent with Rowley, vacant by resignation of John Thorpp. Dat. Worcester, 12 Mar. 1455[6]. Lat. With the Archdeacon's official seal.

362. GRANT from William Borley de Bromecroft, Dominus de Areley, to Thomas Churchyard, of all the lands within the lordship of Areley [Arley] called Churchyordeslondes, Aylewardeslondes, Doddeslondes, Kyttelondes, Le Merssh, and Gatecotes, which the said Thomas held by copyhold. Witnesses: Fulk Sprenchaux and Thomas Hord, Esquires; John Longmare; William Sebright; and John Holway. Dat. Arley, 3 Aug., 34 Hen VI [1456]. Lat. With seal.

363. POWER OF ATTORNEY from William Lymley to Thomas Burneforde, Bailiff of Bromsgrove, to deliver seisin to Roger Bewdecke, of Bromsgrove, of a croft lying in Padestonyelde, within the lordship of Bromsgrove, between the King's highway leading from Bromsgrove towards Birmingham, and the field called Sparkes-

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fylde. Dat. Byrmycham [Birmingham], Th. aft. F. of St. Peter [22 Feb.], 35 Hen. VI [1457]. Lat.

364. POWER OF ATTORNEY from Margaret Cok, of Arley, to Thomas Campyon and John Chircheyard, to deliver seisin to Thomas Chircheyord, of a cottage and croft within the manor of Arley. Dat. Arley, M. aft. F. of St. Agatha [5 Feb.], 36 Hen. VI [1458]. Lat. With seal.

365. LEASE, for two years, from David ap Jevan, Rector of Acton Burnell, and William Tagge, Rector of Norton in Hales, to Margaret, widow of William Boerley, of Bromcrofte, of the manor and lordship of Arley, co. Staff., and lands in Ockeley [Oakley], co. Staff.: to hold at a rose rent. Dat. Wed. bef. F. of Nativ. of B. V. Mary [8 Sep.], 37 Hen. VI [1458]. Lat. With seal.

366. GRANT from William Wore, Dean of the Collegiate Church of Stafford, Henry Fylongley, Esquire, and William Cumberford, to Margaret, widow of William Burley, of the manor of Arley, with land in Okeley [Oakley], co. Staff., which had fallen to the Crown on the death of the said William Burley, and granted in trust by the King to the three above-mentioned trustees. Dat. 1 June, 37 Hen. VI [1459]. Lat. With three seals.

367. GRANT from John Kocke to Gilbert Talbot, son of John, Earl of Shrewsbury, Thomas Latewayte, chaplain, and Richard Newton, of all his lands and tenements in Areley [Arley] called Le More and Le Wodehouse, *al.* Picarslond. Witnesses: Thomas London, Vicar of Chelmerssh [Chelmarsh, co. Salop.]; Roger Crateford; and Geoffrey Tyllesley. Dat. Arley, 3 July, 38 Hen. VI [1460]. Lat. With seal.

368. GRANT from John Yerdeley, of Halesowen, to William Bysshopp, of the same, of three "diets" of land in Newfilde and Hyefeld, etc., in Halesowen. Witnesses: William Pepwall; William Lynde; Nicholas Hydley, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Fr. bef. F. of St. James [25 July], 1 Edw. IV [1461]. Lat. With seal.

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369. GRANT from John Yerdley, of Halesowen, to William Bysshope, of the same place, of a half virgate of land in Le Hyefeld. Witnesses: William Lynde; John Barkere; William Peppewale. Dat. Halesowen, F. of St. John Bapt. [24 June], 2 Edw. IV [1462]. Lat. With seal.

370. GRANT from the same to the same, of four "diets" of arable land in Huntyngtre field and in Baloweismor in le Hyefeld, in Halesowen. Witnesses: William Peppewall; William Lynde; John Lynde. Dat. Halesowen, 1 July, 2 Edw. IV [1462].

371. GRANT from the same to the same, of two "diets" of land in Le Hyefeld, within the lordship of Halesowen, on Baleswardesmour. Witnesses: William Pepwale; William Lynde; John Bisshopp, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Fr. bef. F. of St. James [25 July], 2 Edw. IV [1462]. Lat.

372. INSTITUTION by John [Halse], Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, of John Comber, Canon of the monastery of Halesowen, to the perpetual vicarage of Walshale [Walsall], vacant on the resignation of Thomas Nechelis, the last vicar, on the presentation of the Abbot and Convent of Halesowen, the patrons. Dat. "At our Palace of Lichfield", 4 Feb. 1462[3]. With episcopal seal, broken.

373. QUIT-CLAIM from John Hecston, of Arley, to Richard Janyns, of Horestone, of a messuage with three

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crofts called Rylondbrugge, by some called Nethircote, and by some called Wudres, in Arley. Witnesses: John Horewode, Esquire; John Goode; William Ideyard, and others. Dat. Arley, F. of Inv. of Holy Cross [3 May], 27 Hen. VI [1449]. Lat. With seal.

374. QUIT-CLAIM from Henry Bukden, of Bromsgrove, and Johanna his wife, dau. of Thomas Awncell, of Frankley, and Johanna his wife, to Thomas Littilton, Christopher Goldsmythe, and John Grafton, of all the messuages, etc., which lately belonged to the said Thomas Awncell and Johanna his wife, in Frankley. Dat. 18 Mar., 3 Edw. IV [1463]. Lat. With two seals.

375. GRANT from John Yerdeley, of Halesowen, to William Bisshopp, of the same place, of a piece of land in Le Newe Felde, in Halesowen, which his father lately acquired from Philip Chiwe. Witnesses: William Lynde; William Pepwale; John Lynde. Dat. Halesowen, 20 Aug., 3 Edw. IV [1463]. Lat. With seal.

376. QUIT-CLAIM from William Auncell, son of Thomas Auncell, of Frankley, to Thomas Lutilton, and Christopher Godsmith, chaplain, and John Grafton, of all the messuages, etc., which the said Thomas Auncell his father, or Johanna his mother, held in Frankley. Dat. 30 Sep., 3 Edw. IV [1463]. Lat. With seal.

377. QUIT-CLAIM from William Pepwall, of Halesowen, to Henry Hamond, son and heir of Robert Hamond, late of Wyche, co. Worc., of the right which he had by reason of the feoffment to him, the said William, jointly with Richard Wych, of Hampton Lovet, and Edmund Rudyng, late of Wych, in certain lands in Halesowen, co. Salop, Frankley and Hagley, co. Worc., etc. Witnesses: Richard Paston, Bailiff of Halesowen; Thomas Hasulbury, Sub-

bailiff; John Penne; and Thomas Hawkes. Dat. 14 Jan., 3 Edw. IV [1464]. Lat. With seal.

378. GRANT from William Louecok, of Remesley, son and heir of William Louecok, late of Ridgeacre, deceased, to Alice Louecok his mother, of the tenement called Caldewallestenement in Ridgeacre, with a piece of land called Le Lane, and the two crofts called Grenefeldes, in Ridgeacre; with remainder to Thomas Louecok his brother. Witnesses: Thomas Worueley; Thomas Perkys; William Curtelar, and others. Dat. Ridgeacre, Fr. aft. F. of Assumption of B. V. Mary [15 Aug.], 4 Edw. IV [1464]. Lat. With seal.

379. LEASE for 60 years from Margaret, widow of William Burley, and David ap Jevan, parson of Acton Burnell, with William Tagge, parson of Norton in Hales her trustees under her husband's will, to Thomas Littelton, and to William Cumberford, Humphrey Salway, Guy Westcote, and Robert Chetilton, of the manor of Arley, in trust for the said Thomas. Dat. 7 Mar., 5 Edw. IV [1465], Lat. With three seals.

380. QUIT-CLAIM from Margaret, widow of William Burley, to David ap Jevan, Rector of Acton Burnell, and William Tagge, Rector of Norton in Hales, of the manor of Arley, which the said David and William hold in trust for Thomas Littylton. Dat. 23 Apr., 5 Edw. IV [1465]. Lat. With seal.

381. QUIT-CLAIM from Fulk Sprenchaux, Esquire, to the same, of the same manor. Same date. Lat. With seal.

382. GRANT, by permission of the Crown, from David ap Jevan, Rector of Acton Burnell, and William Tagge, Rector of Norton in Hales, in whom a reversionary right of the manor is vested, of the manor of Arley, to Thomas

Littilton, William Cumberford, Humphrey Salwey, Guy Westcote, and Robert Chetilton. Dat. 1 Aug., 5 Edw. IV [1465]. Lat. With two seals.

383. QUIT-CLAIM from John Yerdeley, son and heir of John Yerdeley, late of Halesowen, to William Bisshopp, of a tenement called Courteystenement in Halesowen, with lands in Huntyngtre, in le Hyefeld, and in Nywfeld. Witnesses: Thomas Hypkys, Bailiff of Halesowen; Richard Symondes, Sub-bailiff; William Pepwale. Dat. Tu. aft. F. of All Saints [1 Nov.], 5 Edw. IV [1465]. Lat. With seal.

384. QUIT-CLAIM from John Holgrove, *al.* John Pyper, son of Thomas Pyper, deceased, and Johanna his wife, dau. of Nicholas Dyvelin, deceased, to Thomas Lyttelton, Serjeant-at-law, Humphrey Stafford, Esquier, and William Stevenes, of a tenement in Worcester, in a street called Melechepyng. Witnesses: Robert Grafton and William Jolyff, Bailiffs of Worcester; Hugh Jolyff; Geoffrey Kerver, and others. Dat. Worcester, 8 Nov., 5 Edw. IV [1465]. Lat. With seal of the Bailiff of the city.

385. INSPEXIMUS and RECITAL of various deeds from the Exchequer Records, to show by what title and tenure Thomas Littelton, Justice of Common Pleas, holds the manor of Arley, co. Staff. Dat. 6 Feb., 5 Edw. IV [1466]. With good impression of Exchequer seal.

386. BOND, in ten pounds, from William Lee, of Halesowen, husbandman, to Thomas Lee, of the same place, yeoman, to abide by the judgment and decision of Roger Bayly and Thomas Everdon, in a dispute concerning a croft in the lordship of Arley. Dat. S. bef. F. of St. Dunstan [21 Oct.], 6 Edw. IV [1466]. Lat. With seal.

387. GRANT from William Pepwale, of Halesowen, to

Roger Pepwale, of Birmingham, Thomas Froste, Thomas Hasulbery, of Halesowen, and William Wighte, of Frankley, of all his lands in Frankley and Willingwick, co. Worc. (with certain specified reservations). Witnesses: Nicholas Hydley and William Beere, Bailiffs of Halesowen; John Faytyng, and others. Dat. T. aft. F. of Purif. of the B. V. Mary [2 Feb.], 6 Edw. IV [1467]. Lat. With seal.

388. ACKNOWLEDGMENT by John Forster, Esquire, Receiver-General of Qu. Elizabeth [Woodville], of receipt from David ap Jevan, parson of Acton Burnell, and William Tagge, parson of Norton in Hales, by the hand of Thomas Lyttilton, Justice of King's Bench, of thirteen shillings and fourpence, by way of fine for licence to alienate the manor of Arley. Dat. London, 11 July, 7 Edw. IV [1467]. Lat. With seal.

389. GRANT from Thomas Nasshe, son and heir of Richard Nasshe, to Hugh le Hayne, of Irthynfeld, of all the lands in Haukebach in Arley which fell to him on his father's death. Witnesses: Thomas Hill; Thomas Forester; Thomas Blewet, of Bewdley, and others. Dat. Haukebache, F. of St. Valentine [14 Feb.], 7 Edw. IV [1468]. Lat. With seal.

390. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas Nasshe, son and heir of Richard Nasshe, of Wolverley, to Hugh le Hayne, of Irthynfeld, of all the lands in Haukebach in Arley which fell to the said Thomas on the death of his father. Witnesses: Thomas Hill; Thomas Forester; Thomas Blewet, of Bewdley. Dat. Haukebach, F. of St. Valentine [14 Feb.], 7 Edw. IV [1468]. Lat. With seal.

391. QUIT-CLAIM from Margery Hasulbery, relict of William Hasulbery, to William Hylle and Thomas Penne, of ten butts of land lying under Adullmedowe in le Hye-

feld. Dat. Fr. aft. F. of St. Giles [16 Sep.], 8 Edw. IV [1468]. Lat. With seal.

391B. MARRIAGE ARTICLES between William Lyttelton, son and heir apparent of Thomas Lyttelton, Justice of Common Pleas, and Elyn, dau. and heir of Sir William Walsh, Esquire. Dat. 20 Jun., 9 Edw. IV [1469]. Lat. With small seal.

392. GRANT, in trust, from William Pepwale, of Halesowen, to Roger Pepwale, Thomas Froste, and others, jointly (to fulfil the last will and testament of the said William), of all his lands, etc., in Halesowen, Northfield, Frankley, and Willingwick, for his wife Agnes, and on her death the lands in Frankley and Willingwick to fall to Richard, his son ; the lands in Northfield to fall to Robert, his third son, to found a chantry in Halesowen Church for his soul and the soul of Agnes his wife ; and the messuage called Bereplace, with lands in the fields called Le Hyefelde, Huntingtre, and Whytleyfylde, to fall to John, his second son, with remainder to the above-named feoffees for the support of a chaplain in the church of Halesowen, for which purpose also the testator bequeaths the issues of a certain cottage at Lutonstoon. Dat. Christmas Day, 9 Edw. IV [1469]. Lat. With seal.

393. QUIT-CLAIM from George, Duke of Clarence, to Thomas Lyttelton, Justice of Common Pleas, and William Lyttelton, Esquire, his son, of all his right in the manors of Cressage, co. Salop, and Arley, co. Staff., which William Burley, now deceased, acquired from Richard, Duke of York, father of the said Duke of Clarence. Dat. Vig. of St. Lucy [12 Dec.], 49 Hen. VI, "et Readepcionis sue Regie potestatis anno primo" [1470]. Lat. With fine impression of seal, broken at top.

394. EXTRACT of Roll of Court held at Hales Manor

on Wed. bef. F. of St. Ambrose [4 Apr.], 49 Hen. VI [1471], recording the admission of Agnes, dau. and next heir of William Warde, to a messuage and half acre of land in Ylley, on the death of her mother Alice, widow of the said William, and payment of a heriot, namely, a black heifer, valued at seven shillings. Lat.

395. LEASE from Roger Pepwale, Thomas Froste, William Wight, and Thomas Hasylbury, to John Pepwale, son of William Pepwale, of an inclosure, with cottage, etc., called Bereplace, in Halesowen, with other lands in Hiefeld, Newefeld, Huntyngtre, and Whitleyfeld, within the lordship of Halesowen. Witnesses: William Bisshopp, Seneschal of Halesowen; John Lynde, Bailiff; Richard Taket; and others. Dat. Halesowen, F. of St. Martin [11 Nov.], 11 Edw. IV [1471]. Lat. With seal.

396. LEASE from Roger Pepwale, Thomas Froste, William Wight, and Thomas Hasylbury, to John Pepwale, son of William Pepwale, of the tenement called Grenestenement, in Halesowen. Witnesses: William Bisshopp, Seneschal; John Lynde, Bailiff; Nicholas Hydley, and others. Dat. Halesowen, F. of St. Martin [11 Nov.], 11 Edw. IV [1471]. Lat. With seal.

397. LEASE, for life, from Thomas Decuns, Dominus de Churchill, and Elizabeth his wife, to John Bere, of Wollverley, of a messuage and half virgate of land lying near Churchill grene, the lessee to build a house "de tribus bayys". Rent, 5 shillings. Witnesses: Thomas Tuck; John Foxall; Thomas Ryethorne. Dat. Bobynton, 1 Dec., 11 Edw. IV [1471]. Lat. With seals.

398. LEASE from Thomas Lee, of Hyll, to William Lee, his son, of "ii mete placis", etc., of which the one belonged sometime to John Lee, his father, in Hyll, and the other is called "John Dey's tenement", and four crofts called Kyn-

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allcroft, Hethcroft, Whetcroft, and Perycroft; with special condition as to crops: "In witnesse of thies covenauntes the Abbot of Halis cald Sir John Darby, the Celarer of the same, cald Sir Henry Egbaston, Raphe Sydenal, John Gravener and Thomas Muklow yomen, And for the more suretie the seid Thomas Lee and the seid William his son suryd feyth and trouth into the hand of the seid Abbott truly to kepe and fullfill the covenauntes afore specyfied." Dat. 17 Jan., 11 Edw. IV [1472].

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399. QUIT-CLAIM from Richard Stone, son of Isabella Stone, dau. of John Selyman, formerly of Arley, to Thomas Churchord, late of Arley, of a toft called Sawyers, in Arley. Witnesses: John Hollewey, sen.; Thomas Hayward; Thomas "Townclerk", of Kidderminster. Dat. Arley, Fr. aft. F. of Corpus Christi [28 May], 12 Edw. IV [1472]. Lat. With seal.

400. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas Lokoc, of Horborne, to William Lokoc his brother, of a tenement called Caldeswalgrownde, in Rugeakye [Ridgeacre], in Halesowen. Witnesses: John Lye, of Horborne; Henry Weley; Richard Lokoc. Dat. F. of St. Blaise [3 Feb.], 12 Edw. IV [1473].

401. EXTRACT of Roll of Court of Hales Manor held on Wed. bef. F. of St. Ambrose [4 Apr.], 13 Edw. IV [1473], recording the title of Agnes, dau. and heir of Thomas Warde, to the lands and tenements in Ylley, called Warde's tenement, as next of kin of Thomas Warde, son and heir of John Warde, brother of William Warde, who died seised of the said tenements. Given under the seal of Henry Egebaston, cellarer. Lat.

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402. GRANT from Thomas Hyet, of Halesowen, by licence from the King, to John, Abbot, and the Convent of Hales, of a messuage in Halesowen; with power of attor-

ney to John Gravenor for livery of seisin. Dat. Halesowen, 29 Nov., 13 Edw. IV [1473]. Lat. With seal.

403. LEASE from Roger Pepwale and Thomas Froste to Robert Pepwale, of Halesowen, of two selions of land in Halesowen which the said Roger and Thomas hold by feoffment from William Pepwale, father of the said Robert: with power of attorney to John Kymberley for livery of seisin. Witnesses: Ralph Sydnale and Richard Colet, Bailiffs of Halesowen; Richard Colyns, and others. Dat. Halesowen, Wed. aft. F. of St. Ambrose [4 Apr.], 14 Edw. IV [1474]. Lat. With two seals.

404. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas Hasulbery to Robert Pepwale, of two selions of land in Halesowen. Dat. 8 May, 14 Edw. IV [1474]. Lat. With seal.

405. LEASE from John Beere, of Hales, to Robert Pepwale, of three selions of land in Le Hyefilde on the Redehill, formerly belonging to Margery Grey, of Hales, which the said John held jointly with Richard Spensar, late of Houesacre, William Pepwale, of Hales, and William Gegworth, of the same, now deceased, by feoffment of John Walkur, *al.* Faytynge, of Hales: with power of attorney for livery of seisin. Witnesses: Thomas Froste, John Kymburley, Bailiffs of Hales; William Hawkes, and others. Dat. Hales, 17 Mar., 15 Edw. IV [1475]. Lat. With seal.

406. EXTRACT of Roll of Court of Hagley Manor held on T. aft. F. of St. Augustine [26 May], 15 Edw. IV [1475], recording the admission of John Wight to a plot of land in Hagley.

407. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas Burdette, of Arrow, co. Warw., Esquire, to Elizabeth, dau. and heir of Thomas Littelton, Esquire, and Thomas Littelton, Knt., son of the

same Elizabeth, of the Manor or Lordship of Frankley, co. Worc. Dat. 11 Sep., 16 Edw. IV [1476]. Lat.

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408. THE TESTIMONY of John Steward, *al.* Fissher, of Bridgenorth, being "of the age of C yeres and more", concerning "the right title and possession of certayn landes and tenements in Areley called Pycardeslondes", about which there is a controversy between John Goode, of Bewdley, and John Cokkes, of Chetton. Dat. 20 Oct., 16 Edw. IV [1476]. Lat. With seal (broken) of the Bailiwick of Bridgenorth (Thomas Yerde and Richard Kyngeslowe being Bailiffs), and many small seals of the Burgesses, etc.[1]

409. GRANT from Thomas Locokke, of Northfield, brother of William Locokke, of Romesley, son of the late William Locokke, of Ridgeacre, to Thomas Locokke, of Kingsnorton, of a tenement in Ridgeacre called Calledewalles tenement, with two crofts of land called Grenefeldes, in Ridgeacre. Witnesses: Thomas Frost; John Pattston; John Hiddeley. Dat. Ridgeacre, Christmas Day, 17 Edw. IV [1477].

410. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas Locok, of Kings Norton, son of Richard Locok, deceased, to William Locok, of Romesley, son of William Locok, late of Ridgeacre, of all the lands in Ridgeacre late belonging to the latter. Dat. 26 Sep., 18 Edw. IV [1478]. Lat. With seal.

411. GRANT from William Locock, son and heir of William Locock, late of Ridgeacre, son of Margery Locock, to Thomas Parker, Robert Oxclif, John Wylkes, and Roger Hawkyns, of all the lands and tenements in Ridgeacre

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[1] It is stated in the deed that the seal of "Sir Hugh Cardemaker, Preest Prior of the Hospital of St. James, of Bridgenorth", is also appended; but it does not seem to have been appended.

which belonged to his late father, or to his grandmother, the said Margery. Dat. 28 Sep., 18 Edw. IV [1478]. Lat. With seal.

412. GRANT, in trust, from Thomas Littelton, Knt., to William Littelton, Esquire, Richard Littelton, Thomas Littelton, his sons, Dom. Christopher Goldsmyth, Vicar of Bromsgrove, Dom. Richard Cauke, Rector of Enfield, John Grafton, of Worcester, and Robert Oxcliff, of all his lands, etc., within the city of Worcester, a meadow in Prichecroft, with lands in the suburbs of the city, in order that they may fulfil and execute his last will and testament. Dat. 3 Oct., 19 Edw. IV [1479]. With the seal of the Bailiwick of Worcester.

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413. EXTRACT of Roll of Court of Hales Manor held on Wed. F. of St. Faith [6 Oct.], 19 Edw. IV [1479], recording the presentment by the "township" of Ylley, that Agnes Ward, who held a messuage and half virgate of land in the manor, is dead, that the usual heriot, a red cow, valued at ix *sh.*, has been received, and that Henry Beke, her late husband, held the same lands for his life. Lat.

414. QUIT-CLAIM from Roger Tyrchare, Rector of Old Swinford, to Thomas Littelton, Knt., Lord of Frankley, of all the lands which the said Roger lately acquired by feoffment from John Massy, of Frankley, Esquire. Dat. M. aft. F. of Nat. of B. V. Mary [8 Sep.], 20 Edw. IV [1480].

415. QUIT-CLAIM from Hugh le Hayne, *al.* Blewe, late of Irthinfeld, now of Hawkebach in Arley, to Thomas Madeley and William Dalowe, of Kynlett, of lands and tenements in Hawkebach, within the lordship of Arley. Witnesses: Thomas Hailes; William Browne; Thomas Sowtehall, of Bewdley, and others. Dat. Bewdley, 3 Aug., 21 Edw. IV [1481]. Lat. With seal.

416. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas Chirchyorde, of Kidderminster, late of Arley, to Sir Thomas Littelton, Knt., Lord of Arley, of the lands called Chircheyerdeslondes, Aylewardeslondes, Doddeslondes, Kyttelondes, Le Merssh, and Gatcotes in Arley. Dat. 16 Aug., 21 Edw. IV [1481].

417. LEASE, for ten years, from Thomas Hexton, of Bristol, merchant, to Thomas Holowey, of Alveley, and Johanna his wife, of Hextons Place in Arley, co. Staff., at an annual rent of five pounds. Dat. 18 June, 22 Edw. IV [1482]. With two seals.

418. QUIT-CLAIM from Thomas Cokesey, Esquire, William Churchierd, and John Wenforten, of Kidderminster, to Thomas Churchyerd, sen., late of Arley, of all the lands which he holds in the fee of Rommesley in Alveley. Dat. Vig. of St. Thomas Ap. [21 Dec.], 22 Edw. IV [1482]. Lat. With three seals.

419. GRANT from Thomas Churchyerd, sen., late of Arley, to William Lytylton, Esquire, Robert Oxclyffe, and Richard Hawkes, of all the lands which the said Thomas holds in the fee of Rommesley in Alveley, co. Salop, with power of attorney to William Churchyerd and John Wenforton for livery of seisin. Witnesses: Richard Clerke and Thomas Jeuence, Bailiffs of Kidderminster; Thomas Foreste, Valectus Domini Regis; Thomas Rice; Henry Fyncheley; Henry Daux. Dat. Kidderminster, F. of St. Thomas [21 Dec.], 22 Edw. IV [1482]. Lat. With seal.

420. LEASE, for seventy years, from Elizabeth Dekonus, Domina de Churchehill, widow of Thomas Dekonus, to Fulk Cheltenham, of the messuage and half virgate of land in Churchill which Thomas Pachet formerly held; the said Fulk to build a "spacium trium bayorum ubi requiritur". Witnesses: Richard Dekonus; Philip Sparrey; William

Apenne. Dat. Churchill, 20 Jan., 22 Edw. IV [1483]. Lat. With seal.

421. GRANT from William Littelton, Esquire, Dominus de Frankeley, son and heir of Thomas Littelton, Knt., to Christopher Goldsmyth, Vicar of Bromsgrove, Robert Oxclyff, and Richard Hawkes, of the manor of Arley. Witnesses: Richard Middelmour, Esquire; Humphrey Rotsey; Richard Swetcok, chaplain; and others. Dat. Frankley, S. bef. F. of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.], 1 Ric. III [1483]. Lat. With seal.

422. GRANT from Elizabeth Dickons, Domina de Churchehill, to Richard her son, of the annual rent of twenty shillings from her lands in Churchill which Thomas Willot now holds. Witnesses: John Sparry; Thomas Willot; Fulk Cheltenham, and others. Dat. 1 Dec., 2 Ric. III [1484]. Lat.

423. GRANT from Thomas Gode, son and heir of John Gode, deceased, of Bewdley, and Florence his wife, to Thomas Wyldecote and Elizabeth his wife, of the messuage called "Lee Pykardes", with the lands called "Lee Doddes" and "Lee Annottes Ruddyng", in Arley Manor. Witnesses: John Longmore; John Southall; John Swgar, and others. Dat. Arley, Sat. aft. F. of St. Hilary [13 Jan.], 2 Ric. III [1485]. Lat. With seals.

424. GRANT from Thomas Hexton, burgess and merchant, of Bristol, son and heir of John Hexton, late of Arley, to John Alcokke, Bishop of Worcester, William Plomme, clerk, Robert Enkebarough, John Twynyho, Robert Throkmerton, Robert Handy, Walter James, and Thomas Wylcokkes, of all his lands in Arley, co. Staff. Witnesses: John Swayne, Sheriff of Bristol; William Spencer, Robert Straunge, John Bagotte, Aldermen of Bristol; Thomas Blounte, of Kynlette, Esquire; Thomas

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Horde, of Bridgenorth, Esquire, and others. Dat. F. of St. James [25 July], 3 Ric. III [1485]. With seal; "and because the grantor is unknown, William Wykeham, Mayor of Bristol, has appended the city seal."

425. RELEASE from the same to the same of the lands above described. Dat. Vigil of the Assumption [15 Aug.], 3 Ric. III [1485]. Lat. With seal of the city of Bristol.

426. POWER OF ATTORNEY for delivery of seisin of the same. Same date and seals.

427. LEASE and RELEASE from Humphrey Saleway and Guy Westcote to William Littelton, Christopher Goldesmyth, Vicar of Bromsgrove, and others, of the manor of Arley; with power of attorney for livery of seisin. Dat. Arley, Sat. bef. F. of Assumption of B. V. Mary [15 Aug.], 3 Ric. III [1485]. Lat. With seals.

428. INSPEXIMUS by Edward IV, made at the request of Sir Thomas Lyttelton, Justice of Common Pleas, to prove his descent from Emma de Tatlington, and right through her to the manor of Frankley. Dat. 28 Nov., A° 16 [1476]. With fragment of great seal.

429. LEASE from William Cretyng, Dean, and the Collegiate Church of Westbury-on-Trim, to Thomas Wildecote, gent., of Hygley, co. Salop, of the manor in the lordship of Arley called Hexteynsplace, which Thomas Hexton, merchant, of Bristol, granted [in 1485] to John Alcocke, Bishop of Ely, William Plome, Robert Enckebarough, clerks, in trust for the said Collegiate Church. Rent, £80; but if the said Thomas shall, within a short time, cause to be appropriated to the same any church within the diocese of Worcester of the annual value of ten marks, then the said rent shall be returned to him. Dat. 6 Aug.,

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11 Hen. VII [1496]. At the foot is memorandum of receipt by Thomas Danokes, treasurer of the College, of £70 rent. Lat. With seal of the College.

430. RELEASE from the same to the same, of all their lands, tenements, etc., in Arley, co. Staff. Dat. Westbury Chapter House, 18 May, 1501. Lat. With seal of the College.

431. LEASE, for 20 years, from Thomas, Abbot, and the Abbey of Halesowen to Richard Hawkys, "Steward unto Sir William Lytelton, Knyght," of "the tythe barne of Illey, and all the tythe corne of almaner greynes, and the tythe hey of Melley felde and Melley medowe yn Illey, with all tythe corne and hey belonging to the Township and Elde of Illey." Dat. 10 May, 20 Hen. VII [1505]. With fragment of Abbey seal.

432. LEASE, for 60 years, from William, Abbot, and the Abbey of Halesowen to William Grene and Jone his wife, of Radwalle Grange, together with a pasture called Hopkocsych, in Horburne. Dat. 26 Mar., 13 Hen. VIII [1522]. With fragment of Abbey seal.

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433. GRANT from Hen. VIII to John Lyttelton, Esquire, son and heir of Sir William Lyttelton, Knt. (and John Whitington, Esquire, and Sir Robert Brudenell, Knt., his trustees), being under age, and a Ward of the Crown, of all the profits arising from the manor of Over Arley, co. Staff. Dat. 3 June, Anno 14 [1522]. With fine impression in white wax of the first great seal of Henry VIII.

434. COVENANT to settle on Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Gilbert Talbot, wife of John Lyttelton, of Frankley, Esquire, the manors of Frankley and Collesdon, co. Worc.,

and Cressage Manor, co. Salop. Dat. 12 May, 23 Hen. VIII [1531]. With two seals.

435. WILL of John Lyttelton, of Frankley, Esquire dated 14 May, 23 Hen. VIII [1531]. With probate (25 June, 1532) attached. Certificated copy under the seal of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury.

436. SPECIAL LIVERY from the Crown to John Lyttelton, Esquire, to enter into the possessions of his late father, John Lyttelton, sen. Dat. 24 June, 32 Hen. VIII [1541]. With great seal, broken.

437. GRANT from John Seintleger, Esquire, Lord of Hagley and Clent, to Roger Sparry, Gent., of a piece of heath and waste land called "Clenthethe", with water-course there called Hollybrook, for the purpose of making two pools. Dat. 8 July, 35 Hen. VIII [1543]. With seal.

438. COPY OF RECORD "in a great ould booke in vellum" belonging to the Dean and Chapter of Lichfield, concerning the Rectory of Arley, purchased from the Dean and Chapter by Gilbert Lyttelton in 1548. Endorsed: "This paper is of great concerne, and therefore carefully to bee preserved."

439. LETTERS PATENT of King Philip and Qu. Mary, granting to Sir Henry Sidney, Knt., Sir George Blount, Knt., and others, the third part of the manor of Halesowen, late belonging to Jane Dudley, Duchess of Northumberland. Dat. 4 Mar. [1555]. With great seal. The initial letter "P" contains portraits of the King and Queen, and the words "Philippus et Maria, Dei gracia Rex et Regina Anglie", are elaborately drawn and ornamented with the emblems of the Tudor Rose, the Lion, etc.

440, 441. DEED OF SALE from Sir Robert Dudley,

"called Lord Robert Dudley," and Dame Amye[1] his wife, to Thomas Blount and George Tuckye, Esquires (for the sum of £3,000), of the manor of Halesowen. Dat. 27 Mar., 4, 5 Philip and Mary [1558]. With seals and signatures of "R. Duddley" and "Amye Duddley".

441B. RELEASE from Anthony Forster,[2] Esquire, to Thomas Blountte and George Tuckye, of all his right in the manors of Halesowen and Warley, cos. Salop and Worcester. Dat. 28 March, 4, 5 Philip and Mary [1558]. With seal and signature of A. Forster.

Selmon of Birmingham was his Executor —

442. INQUISITIO-POST-MORTEM of Sir John Lyttelton, taken at Cannock, co. Staff., 13 March, 33 Eliz. [1591].

443. GRANT from the Crown to Meriel Lyttelton and Thomas her son, in reversal of the attainder of her late husband, John Lyttelton [*ob.* 1601], of all the manors, etc., in cos. Worcester, Salop, Stafford, and elsewhere lately owned by him. Dat. 17 June, 1 James I [1603]. The first line of this deed is elaborately illuminated in gold and colours, with a portrait of the King in the initial letter, and representations of the Royal emblems.

444. COPY of the Act of Parliament, whereby the attainder in blood of the children of John Lyttelton, Esquire, was reversed. Undated. Early *temp.* James I.

445. PROCLAMATION of the Borough of Halesowen, reciting the grant to the borough of a market on every Monday, and a fair on St. Barnabas Day [11 June], and requesting "the Kinge's majestie's Loving Subjects" to

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[1] This was the unfortunate Amy Robsart, secretly married to Robert Dudley, afterwards Earl of Leicester. (Cf. Introduction, and Sir W. Scott's *Kenilworth.*)

[2] Had charge of Amy Robsart at Cumnor, etc. (Cf. Introduction.)

make use of the said market and fair to dispose of their commodities, "forasmuche as wee the Bayliffes, burgesses, and Inhabytantes of Halesowen have had a long tyme a small meeting on the Sabothe day for the buyinge and selling of butter, cheese, and fruite, which was not allonely merelye repugnante and contrary to the woord of God, but also to our Kinges Majesties Laws, And that the right worshipful Mrs. Lyttelton was displeased with the breakinge of the Sabothe Day in buyinge and sellinge which might have beene better employed." The proclamation ends: "God save our Kinge and the Worshipfull Mrs. Lyttelton, Mr. Thomas Lyttelton, and all her children." Dat. 13 June, 1608. Copy.

446. EXEMPLIFICATION, at the request of Meriell Lyttelton, of the various royal grants of Halesowen from the grant by King John to Peter [de Rupibus], Bishop of Winchester, Founder of the Abbey of Halesowen, to the grant by Edward I to the Abbey, of licence to hold a market every Monday, and a fair on St. Barnabas Day and three following days. Dat. 31 May, 7 James I [1609]. With great seal.

447. PRIVY SEAL to Lawrence Parrot and John Pitt, granting them licence to collect and enjoy the sum of £365 due to the Crown from Sir Thomas Lyttelton, Bart., the residue of a sum of £1,095 which the said Sir Thomas "undertooke and voluntarily offered" for the maintenance of thirty footmen in the King's Army in Ireland for three whole years", in acknowledgment of the grant unto him of a Baronetcy. Dat. 22 Feb., 18 Jas. I [1621]. Copy.

448. LICENCE from King Charles I to Sir Thomas Lyttelton, Bart., "to go beyond the seas with three servants, and there to remain during the space of Three yeares," with clauses of restraint and revocation. Dat. 29 May, A 8 [1632]. With the King's signature.

449. CONTRACT between Sir Thomas Lyttelton, of Frankley, Bart., and Nicholas Stone, of London, sculptor, for the erection, at a cost of £50, of "one faire Tombe or Monument in such place in Magdalen College, in Oxford, as hee shall receave direccions for, and be admitted unto, the same to be in memoriall of Two Sonnes[1] of the said Sr Thomas Littleton." Dat. 18 June 1635.

450. LICENCE to Sir Thomas Lyttelton to travel beyond the seas, "with four servants, fifty pounds in money, and his trunckes and necessaries." Dat. 22 May, 12 Charles I [1636]. With the King's signature.

451. COMMISSION to Sir Thomas Lyttelton to be Colonel of the Trained Bands in the county of Worcester. Dat. Nottingham, 3 Sep. 1642. With the King's signature.

452. COMMISSION for the raising of volunteers within the county of Worcester, "for the defence of the Protestant Religion, our person, the two houses of Parliament, the lawes of the land, the libertie and proprietie of the subject," etc. Dat. Nottingham, 5 Sep. 1642. With great seal.

453. COMMISSION OF ARRAY for the city of Worcester. Dat. 14 Sep. 1642. With great seal.

454. RECOVERY, by Robert Tracie, Knt., and Edward Lyttelton, Esquire, against Sir Thomas Lyttelton, Bart., and Katharine his wife, of the manor of Over Arley, co. Staff. Dat. 12 Feb. 1652[3]. With seal of the Court of Common Pleas, with representation of the interior of the House of Parliament during session. In base, an ornamental shield of arms: Commonwealth of England, viz., a cross with inscription, "The first year of Freedome by God's Blessing

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[1] Drowned at Oxford.

restored, 1648." On the reverse, a representation of the islands of Gt. Britain and Ireland. In upper part, a shield of arms of Commonwealth of England; in lower part, a shield of arms of Ireland.

455. COMMISSION from Thomas, Lord Windesor, as Lieutenant of co. Worcester, to Sir Henry Lyttelton, Bart., to be Captain of a troop of volunteers, which he is hereby authorised to raise and take into his charge, and to array, train, and discipline in a warlike manner," etc. Dat. 20 Aug. 1660.

456. APPOINTMENT, by Thomas, Earl of Southampton, Lord Lieutenant of Worcester, of Sir Henry Lyttelton to be one of his Deputy Lieutenants. Dat. 2 Aug. 1662. Signed.

457. COMMISSION to Sir Charles Littleton, Knt., to be Sub-Commissioner of Prizes within the Port of London and districts thereof. Dat. 15 March 1671[2]. With signatures and seals of the five members forming the Cabal Ministry,[1] namely, Sir Thomas Clifford, Lord Ashley, the Duke of Buckingham, Lord Arlington, and the Earl of Lauderdale.

458. LETTERS PATENT of King Charles II, granting to Sir Henry Lyttelton, Bart., the manors of Halesowen, Frankley, Hagley, Cradley, Warley, and Churchill, inasmuch as the said Sir Henry "hath by a late peticion unto us humbly represented that his writeings and evidences that should make appear his title to the said priviledges, and that the same were held and enjoyed by the said John Lyttelton, were in the late times of Rebellion burnt with the Peticioners house called Frankley.[1] By reason whereof doubts

[1] Cf. Introduction.

may arise concerneing the said privileges," etc. Dat. 17 Jan., A°. 34 [1683]. With great seal, broken.

459. COMMISSION from Louis XIV to Le Sieur Lyttelton [Ferdinando, 11th son of Sir Thomas Lyttelton, 1st Baronet] to be Captain of Horse in Sir Henry Jones's regiment in the service of the French King. Dat. Fontainebleau, 20 Aug. 1671. Signed by the King, and countersigned by [Michel] Le Tellier [Secretary of State, and Chancellor of France]. With fragment of seal.

460. SIMILAR COMMISSION to the same, now "Lieut. Col. du Regiment de Cavalerie de Montmout" [James, Duke of Monmouth], to take and hold rank as "Maistre de Camp dans ledit regiment". Dat. Versailles, 30 Mar. 1674. Signed and countersigned. With fragment of seal.

461. LETTERS PATENT of King Charles I, creating Sir Edward Littleton, Baron Littleton, of Mounslow, co. Salop. Dat. 18 Feb., Anno 16 [1641]. Illuminated, and the borders ornamented with the Royal Arms and emblems, fruit, foliage, etc. In the initial letter of "Carolus" is a portrait of the King, and at the foot of the deed is a smaller portrait of Lord Lyttelton, whose coat of arms is also given. Vellum : 30 in. by 24 in., framed.

APPENDIX.

No. 1.

Sciant tam presentes quam futuri quod conuentus de Wenloc concessit Roberto de Hvrchote totam terram de Chirhvlle que pertinet ad monasterium Sancti Jacobi de Dvdeleia in fevdum et hereditatem singulis annis pro omni seruitio fratribus de monasterio Sancti Jacobi de Dvdeleia dimidiam marcam reddendo, per omnia sicut diffinitum est in carta prioris de Dvdeleia que habetur inter eundem priorem et prefatum Robertum. Hiis testibus, Hvtredo capellano, Ricardo filio eius, Ricardo de Linleia, Reimundo filio Gold', Rogero dispensario, Rogero filio Radulphi, Walterio de Bekeb', Radulpho de Hibernia, Thoma de Svnfor, Radulpho Boruario, Roberto de Braci, Hugone filio Ade, et multis aliis.

No. 5.

Hec est finalis concordia facta inter Rogerum, Abbatem de Halis, eiusdem loci conventum, et Dominum Simonem de Frankeley, de terris super quibus contentio fuit inter eos, scilicet quod supradictus Simon concessit et quietam clamavit predicto Abbati et conventui perpetuo de se et de heredibus suis totam terram infra subscriptos terminos inclusam, scilicet a vado de Radeford, descendendo sicut fossa se extendit ad vadum de Linacra et a vado de Linacra descendendo per aquam de Esture usque ad rivulum descendentem in ipsam aquam de Esture ad Melley, et sic ascendendo per eundem rivulum sicut descendit ante domos Aluredi et Pharice de Yleley, et ita ascendendo usque ad sepes Osberti et Nicholai de Frankele, et per ipsas sepes sicut se extendunt in rectitudine usque ad

predictum vadum de Radeford. Et pro hac concessione et quieta clamatione predicti Abbas et conventus resignaverunt et quietam clamaverunt totam clamam suam quam habuerunt in assarto quod fuit Grandin', et in omnibus aliis terris super quibus contentio fuit inter eos. Preterea predicti Abbas et conventus concesserunt eidem Simoni firmare stagnum molendini sui super aquam de Esture, extendendo super terram manerii sui de Hales, usque ad fossam que est sub colliculo ad capud ipsius stagni cum pertinente refluitione ipsius stagni, et huius stagni firmationem cum refluitione, predicti Abbas et conventus eidem Simoni et heredibus suis contra omnes homines warantizabunt. Et ut hec concordia futuris temporibus firma perseveret, eam utraque pars sigillorum suorum appositione roborarunt. Hiis testibus, Domino Willelmo de Sumeri, Henrico Luvet, Ricardo filio Willelmi, Ricardo de Eggebaldeston, Ricardo de Amberle, Ricardo de Ruley, Ricardo de Selley, Hugone de Bellen', Willelmo le Brun, Willelmo de Sukkeberie et multis aliis.

No. 12.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Hubertus de Burgo comes Kancie dedi et concessi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Roberto filio Roberti de Glovernia pro homagio et servicio suo totam terram quam idem Robertus tenuit de Thoma de Burgo fratre meo in villa de Erleg', scilicet terram illam que fuit Oseberti de Hekstane cum tota pastura que jacet ante portam que fuit predicti Osberti et cum omnibus aliis pertinenciis suis. Habendam et tenendam eidem Roberto et heredibus vel assignatis suis preterquam viris religiosis de me et heredibus vel assignatis meis libere, quiete, integre, jure hereditario, Reddendo inde mihi et heredibus vel assignatis meis annuatim duodecim solidos sterlingorum ad duos terminos scilicet ad festum Sancti Michaelis sex solidos et ad annunciacionem beate Marie sex solidos pro omni servicio et exactione salvo servicio domini Regis, videlicet ad scutagium, viginti solidorum

sex denarios [*sic*]. Et ad plus, plus, et ad minus, minus. Et ego et heredes vel assignati mei terram illam cum pertinenciis et cum predicta pastura eidem Roberto et heredibus vel assignatis suis contra omnes homines warantizabimus in perpetuum per predictum servicium. Pro hac autem donacione, confirmacione et warantizacione dedit michi prefatus Robertus viginti et quinque marcas argenti. Hiis testibus, Bertramo de Kriol, etc.

No. 13.

Acta in ecclesia de Brome die veneris proxima post festum Beati Mathei Apostoli in causa que vertitur inter Abbatem et Conventum de Hales ex una parte et Radulphum capellanum capelle de Frankele ex altera, Abbate et Conventu de Hales per Ricardum celerarium suum procuratorem legitime constitutum comparentibus, Radulpho capellano personaliter comparente, videlicet quod cum dicti Abbas et conventus de Hales in jure constituti proponerent quod dictus capellanus suus in prejudicium matricis ecclesie sue de Hales corpus cujusdam parochiani sui defuncti deferri compulit in capellam de Frankele, quod nunquam antea fieri consueverat nec fieri debuerat, idem capellanus, in jure constitutus respondit, quod injuste corpus predicti defuncti ad predictam capellam deferre [*sic*] compulit, unde oblaciones quas pro predicto defuncto in predicta capella recepit predicto R[icardo] procuratori Abbatis et conventus de Hales coram pleno capitulo in jure restituit, et in jure confessus est quod nunquam antea aliquod corpus alicujus defuncti predicte capelle deferre consuevit nec de jure ferri debuit, immo omnia corpora mortuorum in medietate deferri consueverant et debuerant ad matricem ecclesiam de Hales, confessus est, et quod dicti Abbas et conventus non debent invenire capellanum ad deserviendum dicte capelle nisi per tres dies tantum in septimana quibuscunque diebus elegerint vel voluerint. Promisit eciam in judicio juramento suo mediante quod nunquam in vita sua sustineret quod corpus alicujus defuncti

in prejudicium matricis ecclesie de Hales in predictam capellam ingrederetur. Acta anno gratie M° CC° tricesimo sexto, Decano de Kydeminister et capitulo apud Brome prefato die celebrato. In cujus rei testimonium Domini W[illelmi] tunc Archidiaconi Wigornie, et Ricardi tunc Decani de Kydeminister et totius capituli Kydeminister signa huic scripto sunt appensa.

No. 34.

Edwardus Dei gratia Rex Anglie, Dominus Hybernie et Dux Aquitannie, Archiepiscopis, Episcopis, Abbatibus, Prioribus, Comitibus, Baronibus, Justiciariis, vicecomitibus, prepositis, ministris et omnibus ballivis et fidelibus suis salutem. Sciatis nos dedisse, concessisse et hac carta nostra confirmasse dilecto valetto nostro Letardo de Henyn pro laudabili servicio suo quod nobis impendit manerium de Arneleye cum pertinenciis quod Johannes de Burgo senior de domino H[enrico] rege patre nostro tenuit in capite et quod idem Johannes per cartam suam dederat et concesserat dilecto clerico nostro Roberto Burnell et quod idem Robertus quietum et solutum de se et heredibus suis postmodum reddidit in manus nostras. Habendum et tenendum de nobis et heredibus nostris prefato Letardo et heredibus suis de corpore suo legitime exeuntibus imperpetuum, faciendo inde nobis et heredibus nostris servicium feodi unius militis pro omni servicio, consuetudine, et demanda. Et si forte contingat prefatum Letardum decedere sine herede de corpore suo legitime exeunte manerium predictum cum pertinenciis ad nos et heredes nostros integre revertetur. Quare volumus et firmiter precipimus pro nobis et heredibus nostris quod predictus Letardus et heredes sui de corpore suo legitime exeuntes, habeant et teneant predictum manerium cum pertinenciis de nobis et heredibus nostris imperpetuum, faciendo inde nobis et heredibus nostris servicium feodi unius militis pro omni servicio, consuetudine et demanda. Et si forte contingat prefatum Letardum decedere sine

herede de corpore suo legitime exeunte, manerium predictum cum pertinenciis ad nos et heredes nostros integre revertetur, sicut predictum est. Hiis testibus, etc. Dat. per manum nostram apud Turrim Londoniensem quinto die Octobris anno regni nostri secundo.

No. 41.

Edwardus Dei gratia Rex Anglie, Dominus Hibernie et Dux Aquitannie omnibus ballivis et fidelibus suis ad quos presentes littere pervenerint salutem. Sciatis quod concessimus pro nobis et heredibus nostris dilectis nobis in Christo Abbati et Conventui de Hales quod ipsi quasdam cameras, quas infra eandem Abbatiam de novo construxerunt kernellare et illas sic kernellatas tenere possint sibi et successoribus suis imperpetuum sine occasione nostri vel heredum nostrorum aut ministrorum nostrorum quorumcunque. In cujus rei testimonium has litteras nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste me ipso apud Westmonasterium sexto die Decembris, anno regni nostri vicesimo secundo. Per peticionem de consilio.

No. 106.

Die Veneris in festo Assumpcionis beate Marie virginis anno regni Regis Edwardi tercii a conquestu undecimo. Johannes de Sutton, Dominus de Duddeleye filius domini Johannis de Sutton, militis, relaxavit et pro se et heredibus suis quietum clamavit totum jus suum et clamium quod habuit vel habere potuit in manerio de Weruelye et in omnibus particulis eius ut in revercionibus et aliis quibuscunque cum pertinenciis suis in comitatu Wygornie Abbati et conventui de Halesoweyn et eorum successoribus imperpetuum. Pro hac autem relaxacione et quieta clamacione predicti Abbas et conventus pro se et successoribus suis concesserunt prefato Johanni et heredibus suis plenam participacionem oracionum suarum, et omnium beneficiorum suorum spiritualium, que fiunt et de cetero fient in ecclesia

sua ut in jejuniis, vigiliis, disciplinis, elemosinis, psalmis, et missis imperpetuum. Et cum idem Johannes ab hac luce migraverit et obitus sui dies eis innotuerit tantum fiet pro anima sua annuatim in predictis beneficiis imperpetuum, quantum pro uno Abbate fiet cum decesserit. In cuius rei testimonium parti hujus indenture penes predictum Johannem commoranti, predicti Abbas et conventus sigillum suum commune apposuerunt, parti vero penes predictos Abbatem et conventum remanenti, predictus Johannes sigillum suum apposuit. Datum apud Werueleye die et anno supradictis.

No. 186.

Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos presentes littere pervenerint, Johannes Buttetourt, miles, dominus Welegh et de Haggeleye salutem. Noverit universitas vestra quod, cum sit quedam consuetudo observata et usitata infra manerium meum de Haggeleye que vocatur Beolawe et Bodelselver, videlicet quod quilibet tenens debet solvere domino duos solidos per annum vel unum bidentem pro dicta consuetudine de Beolawe et Bodelselver. Nos tamen dictus Johannes volumus et concedimus et confirmamus pro nobis et heredibus nostris imperpetuum Philippo filio Rogeri atte Grove de Haggeleye et heredibus suis quod idem Philippus et heredes sui ac omnia terre et tenementa quas et que dictus Philippus modo tenet infra dictum manerium de Haggeleye de consuetudine predicta et de solucione predictorum duorum solidorum imperpetuum sint quieti. In cujus rei testimonium presentibus sigillum nostrum apposuimus. Dat. apud Welegh die dominica proxima post festum Apostolorum Petri et Pauli anno regni Regis Edwardi tertii post conquestum quadragesimo quarto.

No. 351.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod nos Ricardus, Dux Eboraci, comes Marchie et Ultonie, Dominus de Wygmore et de Clare, dedimus concessimus et hac presenti carta

nostra confirmavimus Radulpho, domino Cromwell, militi, Willelmo Oldehall', militi, Willelmo Boerley de Bromcroft, Margarete uxori ejus, Johanni Wynnesbury et Thome Hopton de Rokhull manerium nostrum et villam de Cressege in comitatu Salopie cum suis pertinenciis ac eciam omnia terras, tenementa nostra, redditus, reversiones et servicia cum omnibus suis pertinenciis in manerio et villa predicta simul cum reversione omnium terrarum et tenementorum que Isabella nuper uxor Thome Fouleshurst tenet in dotem in eisdem manerio et villa, reversione inde nobis spectante. Dedimus eciam et concessimus prefatis Radulpho, domino Cromwell, Willelmo Oldehall, Willelmo Boerley, Margarete uxori ejus, Johanni Wynnesbury et Thome Hopton manerium nostrum et villam de Areley cum suis pertinenciis in comitatu Staffordie, ac eciam omnia terras, tenementa nostra, redditus, reversiones, et servicia cum omnibus suis in manerio et villa de Areley predictis. Habenda et tenenda, omnia predicta maneria, villas, terras, tenementa, redditus, reversiones et servicia cum omnibus suis pertinenciis prefatis Radulpho, domino Cromwell, Willelmo Oldehall, Willelmo Boerley, Margarete uxori ejus, Johanni Wynnesbury et Thome Hopton heredibus et assignatis ipsius Willelmi Boerley imperpetuum, De capitalibus dominis feodi illius per servicia inde debita et de jure consueta. Et nos predictus Dux et heredes nostri omnia predicta maneria, villas, terras, tenementa, redditus, reversiones, et servicia cum omnibus suis pertinenciis prefatis Radulpho, etc., contra omnes gentes warantizabimus et imperpetuum defendemus. In cujus rei testimonium huic presenti carte nostre sigillum nostrum apposuimus. Hiis testibus, etc. Dat. vicesimo die mensis Decembris, anno regni metuendissimi domini nostri Regis Henrici sexti post conquestum vicesimo septimo. R. York.

No. 357.

To all the tenauntes, fermours and offysours within the

Manoir of Areley in Staffordshire, And within the manoir of Cressege in Shropshire, John Mylewater, squyer, John Heven, squyer, and John Erliche senden gretyng in Godde ewyrlastyng. Know ye that the Kyng oure souereyn lord hath directed to us his letter ensealed with his signet and ensigned with his owne honde, the tenor of which letter is this in the forme that folowyth.

By the Kyng.

Trusty and welbeloved, We grete you wel, And howe it bee that we of late addressed vnto you oure letters, And yave you in commaundement by the same to entre in oure name into the Manoirs of Cressege and Areley, yet nathelesse for such causes and consideracions as nowe moven us, We wolle that oure welbelovyd servaunt Thomas Littelton, oon of our serjantis of oure lawe entre and occupie the said manoirs and take thissues and profits of thaim, from the day of oure seid entre unto suche tyme that vppon the euidences shewed unto oure counsail it be by us thadvis of oure seid counsail oderwyse commaunded, Chargyng you therfore to suffre oure seid servaunt peasybly to entre in to the same manoirs and thissues and proffits therof in forme aboueseid to take without interrupcion notwythstandyng oure seid letters to you directed. Yeven under our signet at oure Palais of Westmynstre the xv day of Marche.

Wherfore we wryte to you that ye shall not be interupte vexed ne trobled by us ne by noon of vs butt that ye truely and duely pay youre rentes to the said Thomas Littelton, accordyng to the wylle and commaundement of oure seid soverayn lord. In wittenesse of all which thynges to this present writyng we haue putt to oure seals.

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